

by certain political subdivisions in adopting airport zoning regulations and authorizing them to delegate the administration and enforcement of such regulations to administrative agencies; creating Boards of Appeals and setting forth their powers; providing for appeals; providing penalties and remedies for violation; authorizing certain political subdivisions to acquire property rights by purchase, grant, lease or condemnation under certain conditions and for certain purposes, and providing for the severability of the provisions of this Act, and providing that Baltimore County shall be exempted from the provisions of this Act.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 58 to 67, both inclusive, of Article 1A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (Flack 1939 Edition), title "Aeronautics", sub-title "Airport Zoning", be and the same are hereby repealed, and that nine new sections be and the same are hereby added to Article 1A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (Flack 1939 Edition), title "Aeronautics", sub-title "Airport Zoning", said new sections to be numbered 58 to 66, both inclusive, and to follow immediately after Section 57 of said Article and to read as follows:

AIRPORT ZONING.

58. *Definitions.* As used in this sub-title, unless the context otherwise requires:

(a) "Airport" means any area of land or water, or both, owned, controlled or operated by any political subdivision, or subdivisions, designed and set aside for the landing and taking-off of aircraft and used or to be used in the interest of, or by, the public for such purposes;

(b) "Airport hazard" means any structure, tree or use of land which interferes with communication between an airport and aircraft approaching or leaving the same or which obstructs the aerial approaches of an airport or which is otherwise hazardous to its use for landing or taking-off of aircraft;

(c) "Aircraft" means any of the vehicles described in Section 1 of this Article;

(d) "Political subdivision" means any county or any incorporated municipality;

(e) "Person" means any individual, firm, co-partnership, corporation, company, association, joint stock association or body politic, and includes any trustee, receiver, committee, assignee or other similar representative thereof;