

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted*, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1970.

Approved April 22, 1970

CHAPTER 351
(House Bill 617)

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 16(a) of Article 1A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume), title "Aeronautics," subtitle "Airport Zoning," revising the definition of airports subject to zoning regulation by political subdivisions.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland*, That Section 16(a) of Article 1A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1968 Replacement Volume), title "Aeronautics," subtitle "Airport Zoning," be and it is hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

16.

(a) Definitions.—As used in this section, unless the context otherwise requires:

(1) **["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;**]** *"Airport" means any area of land or water, or both, which is used, or intended for use, by the public for the landing and take off of fixed wing aircraft, and any appurtenant areas which are used, or intended for use, for airport buildings or other airport facilities or rights-of-way, together with all airport buildings and facilities located thereon* AIRPORT, AS DEFINED IN SUBSECTION 1(C) OF THIS ARTICLE, WHICH IS LICENSED BY THE MARYLAND AVIATION COMMISSION;

(2) "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;

(3) "Aircraft" means any contrivance now known, or hereafter invented, used or designed for navigation of or flight in the air;

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

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