

SENATE BILL 102

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By: **Senator Gile**

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Introduced and read first time: January 8, 2025

Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Insurance Pooling – Public Entity – Definition**

3 FOR the purpose of altering the definition of “public entity” to include a Resilience
4 Authority for purposes of insurance pooling; and generally relating to Resilience
5 Authorities and insurance pooling.

6 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
7 Article – Insurance
8 Section 19–602
9 Annotated Code of Maryland
10 (2017 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

11 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
12 Article – Local Government
13 Section 22–101(a) and (g)
14 Annotated Code of Maryland
15 (2013 Volume and 2024 Supplement)

16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
17 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 **Article – Insurance**

19 19–602.

20 (a) In this section, “public entity” means:

21 (1) a political subdivision of the State;

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



(2) a unit of the State or a local government; [or]

(3) a nonprofit or nonstock corporation that:

(i) receives 50% or more of its annual operating budget from the State or a local government; and

(ii) is exempt from taxation under § 501(c)(3) or (4) of the Internal Revenue Code; OR

(4) A RESILIENCE AUTHORITY AS DEFINED IN § 22-101 OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ARTICLE.

(b) Public entities may pool together to purchase casualty insurance, property insurance, or health insurance or to self-insure against casualty, property, or health risks.

Article – Local Government

22-101.

(a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

(g) “Resilience Authority” means an authority incorporated by one or more local governments in accordance with this title whose purpose is to undertake or support resilience infrastructure projects.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2025.