

(4) The sound level limits and noise control rules and regulations adopted under this subsection shall be as follows for residential heat pumps and air conditioning units:

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| (i) Residential heat pumps | 75dba. |
| (ii) Residential air conditioning units | 70dba. |

(5) (i) The sound level limits and noise control rules and regulations adopted under this subsection may not prohibit trapshooting, skeetshooting, or other target shooting between the hours of 9 a.m. and 10 p.m. on any range or other property of a shooting sports club that is chartered and in operation as of January 1, 2001.

(ii) This paragraph does not apply in Allegany, Anne Arundel, Baltimore City, Calvert, Charles, Garrett, Howard, Montgomery, St. Mary's, and Washington counties.

(d) (1) This section does not authorize the Department to adopt environmental noise standards, sound level limits, or noise control rules and regulations that apply to noise from:

- (i) Construction or repair work on public property; [or]
- (ii) Fire or rescue station alerting devices; OR
- (III) ~~±~~ IN FREDERICK COUNTY OR FREDERICK CITY:

1. A COUNTY FAIR LISTED IN THE MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL FAIRS AND SHOWS SCHEDULE THAT IS MAINTAINED BY THE MARYLAND AGRICULTURAL FAIR BOARD; ~~AND OR~~

2. ANY OTHER EVENT HELD ON THE SAME GROUNDS ~~OF THE COUNTY AS A FAIR UNDER ITEM 1 OF THIS ITEM.~~

(2) Noise control rules and regulations that apply to Department of Transportation facilities shall be adopted jointly by the Department of Transportation and the Department of the Environment.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2003.

May 22, 2003

The Honorable Michael E. Busch
Speaker of the House
State House
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have