
By: Washington County Delegation

Introduced and read first time: January 31, 1997

Assigned to: Commerce and Government Matters

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Washington County - Regulation of Noise**

3 FOR the purpose of authorizing the County Commissioners of Washington County, by
4 ordinance, to adopt certain environmental noise standards, sound level limits, and
5 noise controls, subject to certain limitations.

6 BY adding to

7 The Public Local Laws of Washington County
8 Section 1-901 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 9. Regulation of Noise"
9 Article 22 - Public Local Laws of Maryland
10 (1991 Edition and August 1994 Supplement, as amended)

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

13 **Article 22 - Washington County**

14 SUBTITLE 9. REGULATION OF NOISE

15 1-901.

16 (A) SUBJECT TO § 3-105 OF THE ENVIRONMENT ARTICLE OF THE ANNOTATED
17 CODE OF MARYLAND AND SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS SECTION, THE COUNTY
18 COMMISSIONERS, BY ORDINANCE, MAY ADOPT ENVIRONMENTAL NOISE
19 STANDARDS, SOUND LEVEL LIMITS, AND NOISE CONTROLS AS NECESSARY TO
20 PROTECT THE PUBLIC HEALTH, THE GENERAL WELFARE, AND PROPERTY.

21 (B) ANY ORDINANCE ADOPTED BY THE COUNTY COMMISSIONERS UNDER
22 SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO POLICE OR FIRE AND
23 RESCUE VEHICLES OR WATERCRAFT.

24 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
25 October 1, 1997.