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CHAPTER\_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

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## Sound Level Limits and Noise Control - Shooting Sports Clubs

3 FOR the purpose of repealing <u>altering</u> a limitation on a certain exemption from

- 4 certain sound level limits and noise control rules and regulations to make the
- 5 exemption apply to certain sports shooting clubs established chartered and in
- 6 <u>operation</u> after a certain date.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

- 8 Article Environment
- 9 Section 3-105(a)(3) and 3-401(c)(5)
- 10 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 11 (1996 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

# 12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

- 13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:
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### **Article - Environment**

15 3-105.

16 (3) (i) A political subdivision may not adopt any noise control 17 ordinance, rule, or regulation, including the environmental noise standards, sound

18 level limits, and noise control rules and regulations adopted under this title, that

19 prohibits trapshooting, skeetshooting, or other target shooting between the hours of 9

20 a.m. and 10 p.m. by a shooting sports club that is chartered and in operation as of

21 July 1, 1983. However, this prohibition does not apply if the sports shooting club

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

6 3-401.

7 (c) (5) (i) The sound level limits and noise control rules and regulations

8 adopted under this subsection may not prohibit trapshooting, skeetshooting, or other

9 target shooting between the hours of 9 a.m. and 10 p.m. on any range or other

10 property of a shooting sports club {that is chartered and in operation as of July 1,

11 1983. However, this prohibition does not apply if the sports shooting club moves to a

12 parcel of land that is not contiguous to the location of the club on July 1, 1983]

13 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.

17 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 18 October 1, 2001.