

March 6, 2023

Re: Middle Shore Counties - Sunday Hunting - Repeal of Time Restrictions
SB 777; Cross-filled with HB 1118

To Whom It May Concern,

As a landowner and sportswoman, I Oppose SB 0777.

The existing bill is already in place as a compromise between hunting and non-hunting people. This proposed SB 0777 would eliminate the opportunity to share Sundays amongst birdwatchers, dog walkers, hikers, cyclists & other sportsmen and women.

As a farm owner, I respect the natural cycle of the wildlife and enjoy being in it. Riding my horse in our woods gives me comfort only when I know who my neighbors are. But if I'm someone else's property or in a state park, it can be dangerous if I overlap unknowingly with a hunter.

The existing compromise* should stand to represent all who enjoy Maryland's great outdoors. People do not feel safe when there are those who hunt nearby- whether it's a landowner to neighbors.

Thank you for considering my point of view.

Regards,

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*Com•pro•mise: each side making concessions