

**PRINCE GEORGE'S COUNTY COUNCIL  
AGENDA ITEM SUMMARY**

**Meeting Date:** 7/28/98

**Reference No.:** CB-45-1998

**Proposer:** Hendershot

**Draft No.:** 2

**Sponsors:** Hendershot

**Item Title:** An act concerning the noise control ordinance to  
amend the hours restricting noise in a residential area

**Drafter:** Ralph E. Grutzmacher  
Legislative Officer

**Resource Personnel:** Carol B. White  
Legislative Aide

**LEGISLATIVE HISTORY:**

<b>Date Presented:</b>	4/14/98	<b>Executive Action:</b>	___/___/___	US
<b>Committee Referral:</b>	4/14/98	HEHS	<b>Effective Date:</b>	10/2/98
<b>Committee Action:</b>	5/4/98	HELD		
<b>Committee Action:</b>	6/18/98	FAV (A)		
<b>Date Introduced:</b>	7/7/98			
<b>Pub. Hearing Date:</b>	7/28/98	11:00 A.M.		

**Council Action:** 7/28/98 ENACTED

**Council Votes:** RVR:A, DB:A, SD:A, JE:A, IG:A, TH:A, WM:A, AS:A, MW:A

**Pass/Fail:** P

**Remarks:** \_\_\_\_\_

The County Executive having failed to return this Bill within ten (10) days after the date of its presentation to him with either his approval or veto, this Bill became law on 8/17/98

**HEALTH EDUCATION AND HUMAN SERVICES COMMITTEE REPORT** Date: 6/18/98

Committee Vote: Favorable as amended, 3-0, (In Favor: Council Members Gourdine, Hendershot and Scott).

This Bill will amend the County's Noise Control ordinance to change the hours of its enforcement. The legislation was first heard in HEHS on May 4. It was held due to concerns that changing the beginning of the enforcement period from 11:00 pm to 8:00 pm would have a harmful impact on

permitted carnivals, festivals, sporting and entertainment events. Draft 2 added exemptions from the ordinance for events on public property and for events on private property where a use and occupancy permit has been issued and the event is open to the public. Draft 2 was further amended in Committee to move the proposed beginning of the enforcement period from 8:00 pm to 9:00 pm.

**BACKGROUND INFORMATION/FISCAL IMPACT**

**(Includes reason for proposal, as well as any unique statutory requirements)**

The proposed legislation will expand the "quiet hours" in residential areas. There is no fiscal impact to the County associated with this request.

**CODE INDEX TOPICS:**