

**Question for written answer E-003858/2022  
to the Commission**

Rule 138

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Subject: Noise pollution

In the decades since the Outdoor Noise Directive (2000/14/EC) was drafted, extensive scientific research has demonstrated the profound effects of noise pollution on cardiovascular health outcomes<sup>1</sup>. Additionally, in response to a previous written question on this subject<sup>2</sup>, the Commission acknowledged the need to update the Directive, specifically with a delegated act which reflects technical progress in noise measurement methods.

In light of these developments:

1. When can the delegated act in question be expected?
2. What are the prospects for lowering noise limits to reflect new evidence of the harm caused by noise pollution?

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<sup>1</sup> <https://www.bbc.com/future/article/20210315-why-noise-pollution-is-bad-for-your-heart>

<sup>2</sup> [https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-9-2022-000212-ASW\\_EN.html](https://www.europarl.europa.eu/doceo/document/E-9-2022-000212-ASW_EN.html)