

The Chairman of the Maryland Commission on Interracial Problems and Relations has advised me that this Bill would place an extreme burden on all State Attorneys Offices, as well as increase the already overloaded docket of the courts of Maryland. It could mean that a complaint would have to wait approximately two years for the case to reach a final termination compared to the present two weeks. The Interracial Commission strongly urges that the Bill be vetoed.

For the reasons set forth above, I feel compelled to veto House Bill 1103.

With kindest regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

(s) J. MILLARD TAWES,

Governor.

House Bill No. 1106—Identification Cards for Adults

AN ACT to add new Section 6 to Article 17 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1965 Supplement), title "Clerks of Court," subtitle "General Duties of Clerks," to follow immediately after Section 5 thereof; and to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 118(a) of Article 2B of said Code (1957 Edition), title "Alcoholic Beverages," subtitle "Restrictions Upon Licensees," providing for the issuance of an identification card to the residents of the State upon reaching his or her majority, prescribing its form and contents, and further providing that its presentation be required as a prerequisite to the purchase of alcoholic beverages in this State.

May 6, 1966.

Honorable Marvin Mandel
Speaker of the House of Delegates
State House
Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with the provisions of Article 2, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 1106.

The Bill provides that the Clerks of the Circuit Courts of the Counties and the Clerk of the Court of Common Pleas of Baltimore City shall issue an identification card to the residents of the State upon reaching his or her majority and prescribes its form and contents.

Although the objectives of the Bill seem entirely worthy, the Clerks of the Circuit Courts have advised me that at this time they do not have the personnel and facilities to perform effectively the additional duties which this Bill would impose upon their offices. They further point out that the provisions of the Bill limit the amount of the fee payable for issuance of the identification card to \$2.00 and that this sum is entirely inadequate to cover the costs to their office in administering the duties imposed by the Bill.