

Senate Bill No. 212—Unsatisfied Claim and Judgment Fund

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 167A of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Replacement Volume), title "Motor Vehicles," subtitle "Unsatisfied Claim and Judgment Fund," to change the procedure under the Unsatisfied Claim and Judgment Fund law for claims against uninsured motorists who cannot be located; to make the Board the statutory agent of the motorist for service of process and to subject these claims to the provisions of the Unsatisfied Fund law.

May 28, 1969.

Honorable William S. James
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17, of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 212 and am returning it to you.

This Bill changes the procedure under the Unsatisfied Claim and Judgment Fund law for claims against uninsured motorists who cannot be located.

The Attorney General has informed me that there are constitutional problems with this Bill because it provides for a judgment directly against the uninsured motorist without further providing for any type of notice on the uninsured motorist. For the reasons given in the attached opinion from the Attorney General, which is to be considered a part of this message, I believe that the Bill should be vetoed.

Sincerely,

/s/ MARVIN MANDEL,

Governor.

Letter from State Law Department on S.B. 212.

May 14, 1969.

The Honorable Marvin Mandel
Governor of Maryland
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Re: Senate Bill 212

Dear Governor:

At your request, we have again examined Senate Bill 212, relating to the Unsatisfied Claim and Judgment Fund Board.

This Bill provides that after there have been two *non ests* against an absconding uninsured owner or operator, the plaintiff may then serve original papers on the Board and proceed to judgment. This Bill marks a change from the present law, in that Sec-