

House Bill No. 459 - Automatic Data Processing -
Organization

AN ACT concerning

State Automatic Data Processing—Organization and Powers

FOR the purpose of changing certain control provisions for State data processing of the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning; reorganizing State data processing under the direction of the Central Data Processing Division in the office of the State Comptroller; providing for the personnel, powers, and duties of the Division; providing for the powers and duties of the Secretaries of General Services and Budget and Fiscal Planning under this Act; requiring competitive acquisition of automatic data processing equipment and services; creating an Automatic Data Processing Policy Review Board and automatic data processing negotiating teams and users' groups, and providing for their powers and duties; and relating to State automatic data processing.

May 26, 1977

Honorable John Hanson Briscoe
Speaker of the House of Delegates
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Constitution of Maryland, I have today vetoed House Bill 459.

This bill attempts to centralize all aspects of the State's automatic data processing system. It vests in the Department of General Services the responsibility for acquiring all data processing equipment and services for all State agencies, including those in the Legislative and Judicial branches. It vests in the Comptroller's Office, through a new Central Data Processing Division, all operational control over the data processing system. And it creates an Automatic Data Processing Policy Review Board of five voting and two non-voting members, with the functions of periodically reviewing the goals and operations of the State data processing system and determining grievances by the State agencies with respect to the system.