

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2002.

May 16, 2002

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 53 – Family Investment Program – Earned Income Disregard.

This bill increases the Department of Human Resources' earned income disregard for Family Investment Program recipients who obtain unsubsidized employment from 35 percent to 40 percent of earned income, contingent on the availability of federal funds.

House Bill 530, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 53.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

Senate Bill No. 53

AN ACT concerning

Family Investment Program – Earned Income Disregard

FOR the purpose of altering the amount of the earned income that will be disregarded for the purposes of determining the amount of assistance an individual may receive under the Family Investment Program; ~~repealing a certain provision that provide for a termination of a certain increase in the amount of earned income to be disregarded under the Program~~ provision requiring the Secretary of Human Resources to monitor certain federal legislative and regulatory actions and to make certain certifications under certain circumstances; repealing a certain provision of law providing for the abrogation of a certain enactment subject to a certain certification; prohibiting the increase in the earned income disregard under this Act from increasing certain expenditures; requiring the Department of Human Resources to ensure that certain time limits on the receipt of cash assistance do not apply under certain circumstances; providing for the termination of this Act under certain circumstances; and generally relating to earned income disregards under the Family Investment Program.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 88A – Department of Human Resources