

(C) BEFORE ANY CHANGE IN THE SENTENCE, THE STATE AND THE DEFENDANT SHALL BE ENTITLED TO APPEAR AND BE HEARD AT THE HEARING AND THE VICTIM OR VICTIM'S REPRESENTATIVE SHALL HAVE THE RIGHT TO ATTEND THE PROCEEDING AS PROVIDED BY § 857 OF THIS ARTICLE AND TO ADDRESS THE PANEL AS PROVIDED BY § 780 OF THIS ARTICLE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1998.

May 21, 1998

The Honorable Casper R. Taylor, Jr.
Speaker of the House
State House
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 505.

This bill alters requirements and procedures applicable to parole hearings.

Senate Bill 241, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 12, 1998, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 505.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

House Bill No. 505

AN ACT concerning

Parole Hearings - Oral Testimony by Victims

FOR the purpose of expanding the category of victims or designated representatives who are entitled to present oral testimony at certain parole release hearings; requiring certain victims to make a written request to the Parole Commission to have certain parole release hearings open to the public; requiring the clerk of the court to include a certain worksheet with a certain commitment order under certain circumstances; requiring the Parole Commission to review a certain worksheet under certain circumstances; altering the circumstances under which the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services is required to notify a victim of certain proceedings; expanding the category of defendants for which a victim may request certain notifications, meetings, conditions, and open parole hearings; altering a certain definition; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to parole release hearings.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,