

relating to the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission.

The effect of this bill would be to curtail the authority of the Maryland National Capital Park and Planning Commission in the park development work in which it has been engaged during the past several years.

The Commission is in the midst of a park development program, and has acquired numerous properties in this connection that must be developed for park and playground purposes in the public interest.

I know of no substantial reason for the curtailment of the authority of the Commission in the midst of the work in which they are presently engaged.

At the request of the Commission, the bill will be vetoed.

MERIT SYSTEM

SENATE BILL 37

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 17 of Article 64A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1943 Supplement), title "Merit System", as said section was amended by Chapter 9 of the Acts of 1945, extending the time during which fixed salaries and wage rates may be fixed in certain cases.

This bill is in conflict with Senate Bill No. 266 which will be approved. Upon the recommendation of the State Employment Commissioner this bill will be vetoed.

MONTGOMERY COUNTY

HOUSE BILL 465

AN ACT to add a new section to the Montgomery County Code (1939 Edition), title "Montgomery County", sub-title "County Commissioners", said new section to be known as Section 186A and to follow immediately after Section 186 of said Article, conferring certain powers upon the County Commissioners of Montgomery County as to taxation.

See veto message under heading "Baltimore City and Montgomery County."

HOUSE BILL 843

AN ACT to add a new section to follow Section 212 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Montgomery County (1939 Edition), to be known as Section 212A, said section to