

City Council of Hagerstown to agree to contribute considerable sums of money annually *in perpetuity* to the Washington County Free Library.

Public support of the Library is justifiable, but objection has been made to a mandate to do so in specified amounts in perpetuity, and for that reason the bill will be vetoed.

I approved Senate Bill No. 125, which is open to the same objection. However, the mandatory provisions in that bill are dependent upon the happening of a contingency, which may not occur until further legislative action may be taken for its repeal.

## WICOMICO COUNTY

### HOUSE BILL 766

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 23 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Wicomico County", sub-title "County Commissioners", said new section to be known as Section 22C and to follow immediately after Section 22B of said Article, conferring additional powers upon the County Commissioners of Wicomico County and repealing all laws inconsistent therewith.

I am compelled to veto this bill because it conflicts with House Bill 100, (now Chapter 328 of the Acts of 1947) providing for the establishment of uniform fiscal years, etc. This bill repeals any law inconsistent therewith, and the signing of it now would no doubt have the effect of superseding Chapter 328.

Most of the additional powers set forth in the bill may be handled by the County Commissioners by resolution, and the additional expenses of the State's Attorney may be taken care of under Senate Bill 284.