

VETOES

FOR the purpose of extending the jurisdiction of equity courts over certain children, whose adoptions have been delayed following termination of parental rights, until the children reach a certain age; and generally relating to equity court jurisdiction over children whose parents' rights have been terminated.

BY adding to

Article - Family Law

Section 5-319(i)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1984 Volume and 1989 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - Family Law

5-319.

(I) IF GUARDIANSHIP WITH THE RIGHT TO CONSENT TO ADOPTION OR LONG-TERM CARE SHORT OF ADOPTION HAS BEEN ORDERED BY AN EQUITY COURT, THE JURISDICTION OF THE EQUITY COURT OVER THE CHILD SHALL CONTINUE UNTIL THAT INDIVIDUAL REACHES 21 YEARS OF AGE, UNLESS TERMINATED SOONER.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1990.

May 29, 1990

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

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 100.

This bill adds four judges to the Circuit Courts of the State, one each in Baltimore County, Baltimore City, Montgomery County and Prince George's County.

House Bill 150, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 2, 1990, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 100.

Sincerely,
William Donald Schaefer
Governor