

CORONER.

(Chapter 537)

House Bill No. 557 relates to appointment of a coroner in Harford County.

Because of certain amendments, this bill contains provisions which are inconsistent and would cause confusion in its administration. For this reason it will be vetoed.

STATE AUDITOR.

(Chapter 576)

Senate Bill No. 401 requires the State Auditor to audit the books and accounts of County Treasurers, tax collections and County Boards of Education.

Under the present law, the State Auditor audits the accounts of all county officials who receive State revenues, and this would require him to audit these accounts for county taxes as well. It may be desirable for the State Auditor to do this work, but it would necessitate the employment of several additional men, and there is no provision in the present budget for the payment of their salaries and expenses. For this reason the bill will be vetoed, and if the next Legislature considers it desirable for the State Auditor to extend his work to county receipts the necessary provision can then be made for expenses.

ADMINISTRATION.

(Chapter 594)

Senate Bill No. 378 relates to administration of estates in Maryland.

This bill purports to amend a section of the Code which does not exist, and there seems to be no particular need for it anyhow, and it will be vetoed.