

House Bill No. 146 (Ch. 324), providing a lien for materials, and I am vetoing that bill. For these reasons, Senate Bill No. 419 will be vetoed.

THE MINING LAW.

(Chapter 697)

Under the present law mine foremen, assistant mine foremen and fire bosses, who were acting in such capacities on October 1, 1922, received service certificates, which enabled them to continue their work without taking any examination for five years, or until October 1, 1927. They were supposed to qualify themselves and take examinations under the law during this time.

Some failed to do so and the purpose of this bill is to give such persons a further extension of their service certificates until June 1, 1932. I see no reason at all for this. These men have had over four years in which to take their examinations and they can still attend the summer school and take the examinations, which will be held next August.

The bill will be vetoed.

MOTOR VEHICLE BILLS.

Senate Bill No. 57 (Ch. 642) requires the payment of taxes on personal property before issuing tags.

The Legislature passed two bills on this subject, Senate Bill No. 57 and House Bill No. 249 (Ch. 707). The Senate bill provides for separate assessment books for automobiles, which would require a considerable increase in administrative work both in Baltimore City and in the counties. This bill also provides that in order to secure the tag it shall only be necessary to pay the taxes on the particular automobile in question. This is contrary to what has been the practice for several years in Baltimore City, and the House bill continues this practice, so far as Baltimore City is concerned, while allowing the tag to be issued in the counties upon the payment of taxes on the particular automobile. There is, therefore, practically no difference between the two bills so far as the counties are concerned, and I am signing House Bill No. 249 in order that