

for State and County purposes. Under the provisions of Section 9 of Article 81 of the Code, all town taxes are required to be levied upon assessments made by the County Commissioners of the county in which the town is situated. It seems to me that a departure from the policy of the State-wide law is unnecessary. Another section of this Bill grants to the municipality the power to regulate the speed of vehicles. Under the provisions of Chapter 1007 of the Acts of 1943, the charters of all municipal corporations were repealed to the extent that they were equivalent to or in conflict with the provisions of Article 66½ of the Code, and, as a result, the regulation of motor vehicle traffic is now vested in the General Assembly rather than with the governing bodies of the various municipal corporations of this State. I should be reluctant to depart from the State-wide law in so far as assessments are concerned and equally so as to regulation of motor vehicle traffic. Accordingly, I have vetoed this Bill.

DEPARTMENT OF CORRECTION

HOUSE BILL No. 29.

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 768 of Article 27 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1947 Supplement), title "Crimes and Punishments", sub-title "Department of Correction", eliminating the provisions as to the compensation to be paid to the Assistant Warden and Guards of the Maryland Penitentiary and House of Correction and providing that said Assistant Warden and Guards of said institutions shall be paid such compensation as shall be provided in the State Budget.

The provisions of existing law are, in my opinion, entirely adequate in the premises, and I have, therefore, vetoed this Bill.

DUPLICATE BILLS

SENATE BILL No. 80

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 41 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition), title "Governor—Executive and Administrative Departments", sub-title "Department of Legislative Reference", said section to be known as Section 100A and to follow immediately after Section 100 of said Article, relating to treatment of the Director of the Department of Legislative Reference for retirement purposes.

This Bill duplicates House Bill No. 79 which has been signed (Ch. 19). Therefore, Senate Bill No. 80 has been vetoed.