

title "Motor Vehicles", sub-title "Administration—Registration—Titling", relating to the registration of school buses.

This Bill will amend a portion of Section 74 of Article 66½ of the Code. As I have already signed Senate Bill 44, now Chapter 191 of the Acts of 1949, which amended this section in other particulars and the present Bill is inconsistent with that amendment, I have vetoed this Bill.

SENATE BILL NO. 470

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 254 (a) of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1947 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles", sub-title "Operation of Vehicles Upon Highways", relating to the formula for determining gross weights of certain motor vehicles.

This Bill would change the formula for determining the gross weight of motor vehicles permitted to operate over Maryland bridges and highways in a manner which would allow vehicle-and-load capacities up to 90,000 pounds under the existing maximum vehicle-length regulations.

Neither the roads nor the bridges in Maryland have been designed to carry burdens of this tremendous weight in day-to-day traffic, representing as it does a 22,500-pound increase in the maximum permitted weight under the present law in the State for vehicles of the maximum length and wide axle spacing.

Such an increase in permissible gross weight not only would jeopardize existing highways and bridges but would greatly increase the cost of future road construction in the State by requiring unnecessarily high standards of design to withstand the effect of traffic of this tremendous burden.

Therefore, I have vetoed Senate Bill No. 470.

HOUSE BILL NO. 19

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Sub-section (a) of Section 156A of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1947 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles", sub-title "Operation of Vehicles Upon Highways", relating to reckless driving by the operators of street cars or trackless trolleys, and removing certain exceptions contained therein.

This Bill is defective inasmuch as the title and enacting clause refer to Section 156A of Article 66½ of the Code, whereas in the body of the Bill Section 156 of Article 66½ of the Code is amended. Because of this defect, I have veted this Bill.