REGISTER OF WILLS

House Bill No. 455

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 288 of Article 93 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1947 Supplement), title "Testamentary Law", sub-title "Register of Wills", increasing the compensation of all employees in the office of the Register of Wills of Baltimore City.

This Bill will increase by \$300.00 the salary of each employee in the office of the Register of Wills of Baltimore City beginning July 1, 1949. Under the provisions of existing law the Comptroller has the authority to fix the amount of compensation of the employees of the various Registers of Wills and I am vetoing this Bill because it indicates an unwise and unnecessary departure from the present practice. I am confident that an application for any justified raise in pay will receive careful consideration by the Comptroller.

RISING SUN

House Bill No. 518

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 8 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Cecil County," sub-title "Rising Sun," said new section to be known as Section 397A and to follow immediately after Section 397, relating to extension of the boundaries of Rising Sun.

This Bill authorizes the Commissioners of Rising Sun to extend the corporate boundaries of the town by a municipal ordinance. There is no provision for a referendum of the residents in the area to be brought within the municipal limits. The uniform practice has been for the General Assembly to enact a law, usually subject to referendum, bringing within the corporate limits of a town the area which is to be annexed, describing it with the greatest accuracy. It seems to me that that method is desirable and should be retained. I have, therefore, vetoed this Bill.

ROADS

SENATE BILL No. 151

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 89B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1939 Edition and 1947 Supplement), title "State Roads", said new section to be known