

ordinary circumstances, to confusion. When the circumstances are extraordinary, as I already have noted, there remains the appeal to the Governor.

I am further of the opinion that county and municipal demands upon the State Police should be made as sparingly as possible. The primary function of the State Police always has been the patrol of our highways, the control of traffic, the prevention of highway accidents, and the arrest of road law violators. These duties become more pressing with our advances in highway construction and the increase in the number of vehicles using our roads.

Therefore, I am returning House Bill 5 to you without my approval.

Respectfully,

THEODORE R. MCKELDIN,

Governor

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TEACHERS' SALARIES

March 27, 1952

Honorable George W. Della
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. President:

In denying my approval for Senate Bill 7, which I am herewith returning to you, I refer you to the second paragraph in my message vetoing Senate Bill 48. Here again is an instance of appropriating for a year for which there are as yet no revenue estimates and no general indication of required expenditures.

It is, of course, true that we have in our budgets other mandatory expenditures that carry over and, in some instances, automatically increase from year to year. Originally, however, they were enacted in the session prior to the beginning of the fiscal year in which they were to become effective for the first time, and were, from then on, included in the orderly estimates of revenues and expenditures with the preparation of each new budget.

This bill to increase the annual increments in teachers' salaries from the present \$100 a year to \$150 a year is based on no estimates, but merely on an arbitrary order for the fiscal officials of the State to find the necessary revenue for financing it in the fiscal year of 1954.

I also refer you to the final paragraph of the veto message