

tion of U. S. Route 5 from Woods Corner to U. S. Route 301. The right of way heretofore acquired has cost in excess of one-half million dollars and all embraces the denial of access features.

This Bill, if enacted, would result in a considerable loss to the State. In addition, it would deny to the State Roads Commission the right to control access along Route 5 between Woods Corner and the point where it intersects Route 301. It is further pointed out that said Route 5 from the D. C. line to Woods Corner is now being constructed as a controlled-access highway. Furthermore, I believe it undesirable and unwise as a matter of policy to legislate on specific administrative problems.

For the above reasons this Bill is being vetoed.

This Bill is an attempt to find by legislation a solution for a purely administrative problem, which has now been discussed with the State Roads Commission. I am familiar with the background of the controversy which engendered the legislation, and the reasonable and logical solutions proposed for the problems of the citizens along these routes, which appear to be consistent with the best interests of the entire State. Accordingly, I have requested the State Roads Commission to give immediate consideration to designation of no part of U. S. Route 301 as a controlled access arterial highway or as an expressway. In addition, the State Roads Commission is requested to consider constructing no portion of U. S. Route 5 from a point at or near the intersection of Route 301 southward to its terminus at Point Lookout as a controlled access arterial highway or expressway; nor to impose any control of access on any portions of Route 5 between Woods Corner and Route 301 that are not being built on an entirely new location.

Respectfully,

(s) THEODORE R. MCKELDIN,

Governor

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SENATE BILL NO. 487

May 6, 1953

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

Dear Mr. President:

At the request of the County Commissioners of Anne Arundel County, I am vetoing Senate Bill No. 487 which