SENATE BILL NO. 554

May 6, 1953

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

Dear Mr. President:

I have vetoed Senate Bill No. 554, which is returned herewith, since it is deemed unnecessary. The Democratic party has established by usage and custom the method of selection of its governing body, and there is no request from that party to fix its method of selection by statute. The bill was primarily designed to furnish such authority for the selection of managing bodies of the Republican party. However, after its passage several published amendments to the Republican Party Constitution of December 20, 1905, were located. These amendments, one dated May 9, 1916, and a second dated May 14, 1924, together with the phraseology of the Party Constitution, give the same right of party management as contained in the bill, and it is therefore unnecessary legislation.

Respectfully,

(s) THEODORE R. McKeldin,

Governor

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HOUSE BILL NO. 13

May 5, 1953

Honorable John C. Luber Speaker of the House of Delegates State House Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. Speaker:

House Bill No. 13 attempts to revise the assessment laws of this State and nullify the provisions of law which become effective on January 1, 1954, whereby all areas of a local sub-division would be finally reassessed at the same time. The Bill would reinstate the rotational system of reassessing a portion of each local subdivision each year. Instead of 1/5 of the local subdivision being reassessed as at present,