demnation rights. My veto of this bill would avoid imposing the unnecessary burden on these counties of resorting to litigation to avoid any interference with their present condemnation rights.

## Respectfully yours,

(s) THEODORE R. McKeldin,

Governor

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House Bill No. 354—Plumbing Board, St. Mary's County

AN ACT to add new Section 315A to Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Health," sub-title "Plumbing", to follow immediately after Section 315 thereof, relating to the Plumbing Board of St. Mary's County.

April 28, 1955

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

Dear Mr. Speaker:

House Bill 354 creates a Plumbing Board in St. Mary's County and provides a license fee for non-resident master plumbers double that required of resident master plumbers. The Attorney General advises that this discrimination is unconstitutional since there is no reasonable basis for the classification.

Accordingly, I have vetoed this bill.

## Respectfully.

(s) Theodore R. McKeldin.

Governor

TRMcK:mg

House Bill No. 357—Reduction of Sentences, Washington County

AN ACT to add a new section to Article 22 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland (1930 Edition), title "Washington County", sub-title "Sheriff" "CIRCUIT COURT", said new section to be known as Section 754 108A UNDER THE NEW SUB-HEAD-ING "PRISONERS", and to follow immediately after Section 753 108 thereof, authorizing the sheriff CIRCUIT COURT of Washington County to reduce, in certain instances, the sentence of persons sentenced to imprisonment in the county jail.