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## House Bill No. 575—State Roads, Talbot County

AN ACT to authorize and direct the State Roads Commission to take over and maintain as a part of the State highway system that portion of the Bozman—Neavitt Road in Talbot County extending from the portion of said road now maintained by the State Roads Commission through the village of Neavitt.

April 28, 1955

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

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I am returning herewith House Bill 575 without my approval. This bill would require the State Roads Commission to take over and maintain as part of its highway system, the county portion of the Bozman-Neavitt Road in Talbot County. I have consistently vetoed similar types of legislation at previous sessions and see no reason for departure from this course.

Legislative direction of a specific administrative problem of this kind is undesirable and unwise as a matter of policy. This conclusion is entirely apart from any determination of the merits of the proposal embodied in the bill. It should be left to the Commission and its expert advisers to determine its advisability. I am this day requesting the Commission to study the problem and arrive at its own final independent conclusion as promptly as possible as to the extent, if any, to which it might consistently comply with this expression of legislative intent.

## Respectfully,

(s) THEODORE R. MCKELDIN,

Governor

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## House Bill No. 607—Harford County Tobacco Tax

AN ACT to add Section 490B to the Laws of Harford County (1942 Edition) being Article 13 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland, title "Harford County", sub-title "Taxes and County Treasurer", said new section to follow after Section 490A thereof as said section was enacted by Chapter 24 of the Acts of 1949, giving to the Board of County Commissioners of Harford County certain powers to impose, assess, levy and collect a tax upon the sale of cigarettes, cigars and other tobacco products, and relating generally to the imposing, assessment, levying and collection of such taxes.