

Unfortunately, the bill was amended in the Senate to require Baltimore City to supplement the salaries of the Deputy Clerk of the Criminal Division and the Deputy Clerk of the Traffic Division of the Municipal Court of Baltimore City. The salary of the Chief Clerk is set by statute, and the proposed amendment insofar as it affects the Chief Clerk is right and proper. However, the two deputy clerks' salaries are under the jurisdiction of the Salary Board and both positions are in the Merit System. To attempt to change their salaries in this fashion establishes a very bad precedent and does violence to the orderly procedure established for adjusting the salaries of Merit System employees.

Because of the above stated reasons, I feel compelled to veto House Bill 251.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

(s) J. MILLARD TAWES,  
Governor.

#### House Bill No. 299—Baltimore County Assessors

~~AN ACT to add new Section 236A to Article 81 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Revenue and Taxes," subtitle "State Department of Assessments and Taxation," to follow immediately after Section 236 thereof, to declare the Supervisor of Assessments of Baltimore County an appointed official for the purposes of the provisions of the State employees retirement system specifying a mandatory age for retirement.~~

AN ACT TO REPEAL AND RE-ENACT, WITH AMENDMENTS, SECTION 233 OF ARTICLE 81 OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND (1964 SUPPLEMENT), TITLE "REVENUE AND TAXES," SUBTITLE "STATE DEPARTMENT OF ASSESSMENTS AND TAXATION," AND TO REPEAL AND RE-ENACT, WITH AMENDMENTS, SECTION 21-1 OF BALTIMORE COUNTY CODE 1958 (BEING ARTICLE 3 OF THE CODE OF PUBLIC LOCAL LAWS OF MARYLAND), TITLE "BALTIMORE COUNTY," SUBTITLE "TITLE 21. PENSIONS AND RETIREMENT," SUBHEADING "ARTICLE I. OFFICERS AND EMPLOYEES GENERALLY," TO PROVIDE FOR THE EXTENSION IN OFFICE FOR THE PURPOSES OF THE BALTIMORE COUNTY PENSION LAWS AND APPLICABLE STATE LAWS OF THE SUPERVISOR OF ASSESSMENTS OF BALTIMORE COUNTY.

May 4, 1965.

Honorable Marvin Mandel  
Speaker of the House of Delegates  
State House  
Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. Speaker:

At the request of the sponsor of House Bill 299, Honorable Roy N. Staten, I have today vetoed the same and in compliance with the constitutional provisions of our State, I am returning it herewith together with my veto message.