

that shall be described in its title . . . ” and since a very substantial portion of the bill is not in any way mentioned in the title, that office feels that it is in contravention of the quoted constitutional provision and should, therefore, not be approved.

For the reasons stated above, I feel that I am compelled to veto this measure.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

(s) J. MILLARD TAWES,
Governor.

House Bill No. 752—Washington County Welfare Board

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 14 (a) of Article 88A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume), title “State Department of Public Welfare,” subtitle “In General,” relating to the Washington County Welfare Board, fixing the travel reimbursement for members thereof.

May 4, 1965.

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

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 752, 1965 Session, and I am returning this bill along with my veto message.

This bill amends Section 14 (a) of Article 88A of the Annotated Code of Maryland to provide a fixed amount for travel expenses for each member of the Welfare Board of Washington County.

The Director of the State Department of Public Welfare has advised me that this would set a very dangerous precedent. He believes strongly that the voluntary nature of service on county Welfare Boards should be preserved. I know of no special circumstances which would obtain in Washington County that would call for handling expenses by a flat fee rather than by travel expenses. Other counties might follow this precedent, and conceivably could provide for substantial reimbursements for their Board members, resulting in changing the concept of voluntary service, which we believe is basic to good administration of public welfare at the local level.

Because of the above stated reasons, I feel compelled to veto House Bill No. 752.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

(s) J. MILLARD TAWES,
Governor.