

partment. The studies being conducted by this Committee are well under way and the conclusions reached by the Committee should be available prior to the next session of the General Assembly.

The Attorney General has advised me that the subject matter of this Bill is included within the scope of the studies being conducted by the Committee. I feel, therefore, that we should have the benefit of the views of the Committee before enacting this type of legislation. Accordingly, I am vetoing House Bill 1193.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

(s) J. MILLARD TAWES,

Governor.

House Bill No. 1204—Baltimore County Sheriff

AN ACT to add new Section 32 (g) to Article 66 $\frac{1}{2}$ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition and 1964 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles," subtitle "Administration-Registration-Titling," to follow immediately after Section 32 (f) thereof, providing for the issuance of special motor vehicle registration plates for members of the Sheriff's Office of Baltimore County.

May 4, 1965.

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

Dear Mr. Speaker:

I have today vetoed House Bill 1204 and, in accordance with our constitutional provisions, I am returning the same to you along with my veto message.

The bill provides for the issuance of a special motor vehicle registration plate by the Department of Motor Vehicles for the private automobiles of the sheriff of Baltimore County and his deputies. In addition to this, it provides that the letters and numerals on the registration plate shall not be less than three inches high and in strokes of not less than one quarter of an inch in width. It also provides that the plate is to have an inscription designating the owner's official office by letters and numerals in lieu of the numerals required to be displayed on privately owned vehicles under the present law.

It is my feeling that to write this bill into law would bring about an unwieldy and unworkable situation.

To comply with the size requirements of the letters and numerals as stated in the bill would require the registration plate to be of much greater size than would be displayed on other privately and publicly owned vehicles. To print the word "sheriff" would require a plate twelve inches long and to add "Baltimore County" would increase its width to twelve inches. To follow through with this same formula,