

of record, and contain trustees who are not residents of Maryland. If it were held that deeds of trust already in existence would require Maryland residents as trustees, this could cause substantial problems.

For these reasons, I believe that Senate Bill 420 must be vetoed.

Sincerely,

/s/ MARVIN MANDEL,
Governor.

Senate Bill No. 758—Financial Responsibility in Motor Vehicle Laws

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 93(a) of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1967 Replacement Volume), title "Motor Vehicles," subtitle "Administration—Registration—Titling"; to repeal Sections 93(b) and 93(c) of this Article, title and subtitle; and to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 94 of this Article, title and subtitle amending the motor vehicle laws with particular respect to the liability and the financial responsibility of minors and their parents and guardians in the use of motor vehicles.

May 26, 1970.

Honorable William James
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17, of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 758.

This Bill deletes those parts of Article 66½, Sections 93 and 94, which provide that the negligence of a minor when driving a motor vehicle shall be imputed to the parent or guardian who signs the minor's application for a driver's license, unless there is deposited with the Department of Motor Vehicles on the minor's behalf proof of financial responsibility.

This Bill is virtually identical to House Bill 691 passed by the 1969 General Assembly which I vetoed on May 21, 1969. In my view, a parent or guardian who gives his consent for his minor child to obtain a driver's license, ought to be responsible for the child's driving. Moreover, requiring parents either to assume liability for their children's negligent driving or to provide insurance covering their children, may lead to greater parental teaching and supervision with respect to minor's driving habits.

In light of the foregoing, I feel that Senate Bill 758 must be vetoed.

Sincerely,

/s/ MARVIN MANDEL,
Governor.