

Senate Bill No. 342—Drug Abuse Administration and Advisory Council

AN ACT TO REPEAL SECTION 1A OF ARTICLE 43B OF THE ANNOTATED CODE OF MARYLAND AS ENACTED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1 OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF 1971 (CHAPTER) AND IN LIEU THEREOF to add new Section 1A to Article 43B of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1965 Replacement Volume and 1970 Cumulative Supplement), title "Comprehensive Drug Abuse Control and Rehabilitation Act," to follow immediately after Section 1; and to repeal and re-enact with amendments, Sections 2, 3, 4 and 5 of the same Article, AS THESE SECTIONS WERE AMENDED BY EXECUTIVE ORDER NO. 1 OF THE REGULAR SESSION OF 1971 (CHAPTER), to reorganize the Administration of the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Control and Rehabilitation Act, to provide for the establishment of the Drug Abuse Administration within the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, to create the positions of Director and Deputy Director of the Drug Abuse Administration, to provide for the powers, duties and responsibilities of the Administration, the Director and the Deputy Director, to set forth the authority of the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene over the Drug Abuse Administration and Director, to abolish the Drug Abuse Authority and the position of Director of the Drug Abuse Authority, to transfer the powers and duties of the Drug Abuse Authority to the Drug Abuse Administration, to make corrections in the present law concerning these matters, and relating generally to the Comprehensive Drug Abuse Control and Rehabilitation Act.

May 28, 1971.

Honorable William S. James
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17, of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 342.

This bill establishes the Drug Abuse Administration within the State Department of Health and Mental Hygiene and sets forth the powers, duties and functions of the Administration. The bill further provides for an Advisory Council on Drug Abuse.

Executive Order No. 1 of the regular session of 1971 (Chapter 29 of the 1971 Laws of Maryland) and House Bill 1312, which was enacted by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 28, 1971, accomplishes the same purpose as Senate Bill 342. Consequently, it is unnecessary for me to sign Senate Bill 342.

Sincerely,

/s/ MARVIN MANDEL,

Governor.