

Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17, of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 1109.

This bill as originally introduced established new requirements for the payment of, and deduction from, employee wages. As enacted, however, the bill permits an employer to deduct from the wages of an employee, upon the termination of employment, any amount owed by the employee to the employer. The bill, moreover, authorizes this deduction to be made without the written authorization of the employee.

I have been informed by the Department of Licensing and Regulation, at whose request this bill was introduced, that the bill, as amended, would be exceedingly difficult to administer. The Department has also informed me that they believe that the provision permitting an employer to make unauthorized deductions from an employee's wages is inconsistent with the basic principles of the Wage Payment Collection Law. Because of the principle involved and the administrative burden which this bill would place on the Department of Licensing and Regulation, the Department has requested that the bill be vetoed.

Consequently, I have decided to veto Senate Bill 1109.

Sincerely,

/s/ Marvin Mandel
Governor

Senate Bill No. 1119 - Public School Construction Loan

AN ACT to authorize the creation of a State debt in the aggregate amount of Two Hundred and Twenty Million Dollars (\$220,000,000.00) to be known as the "State Public School Construction and Capital Improvement Loan of 1973," the proceeds thereof to be used to finance the construction of public school buildings and public school capital improvements in this State, and providing generally for the issue and sale of ~~[[State general obligation]]~~ bonds evidencing said loan.

June 1, 1973.

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 1119.

This bill authorized the creation of a State debt to be known as the "State Public School Construction and Capital Improvement Loan of 1973."

House Bill 1465, which was enacted by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 21, 1973, accomplishes the same purposes as Senate Bill 1119.