if a child under the age of 13 years is found to be delinquent, the child may not be confined in a juvenile training school or any similar institution.

During the legislative process, however,  $\S 3-832$  (a) was further amended and, as enacted, provides that a child, except a delinquent child under the age of 13 years, may not be confined in an institution or other facility designed or operated for the benefit of delinquent children. As  $\S 3-832$  (c) and  $\S 4-514$  (c) were not so amended, there is facially an inconsistency between  $\S 3-832$  (a) on the one hand and  $\S \S 3-832$  (c) and 4-514 (c) on the other.

According to the rules of statutory construction, the enacted bill could be construed as allowing confinement of a delinquent child under 13 years or in the alternative as prohibiting any child from being confined, neither construction being the legislative intent.

For these reasons, I have decided to veto Senate Bill 58.

Sincerely,
/s/ Marvin Mandel
Governor

Senate Bill No. 188 - Disposition of Salvaged Motor Vehicles

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws - Disposition of Salvaged Motor Vehicles

FOR the purpose of specifying certain procedures concerning motor vehicles subject to total loss insurance settlements and creating an exception to the applicability of the excise tax on such vehicles.

May 31, 1974.

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

Dear Mr. President: