

adding such amount to the budget, the bill would seem to require the Governor to include it in the budget he submits to the Legislature. Yet, in MCKeldin v. Steedman, 203 Md. 89 (1953), the Court of Appeals specifically held that the General Assembly could not enact an appropriation bill and place the responsibility upon the Governor to fund it through the annual State budget. The Court there held that calling on the Governor to fund the item by general funds "is not what the Constitution allows," and would "circumvent the critically important constitutional requirement by shifting from the legislature to the Governor the public onus of being charged with the necessity for an additional tax."

For these reasons, I have decided to veto Senate Bill 424.

Sincerely,
/s/ Marvin Mandel
Governor

Senate Bill No. 489 - Assent or Joinder of
Parties in Appeals

AN ACT concerning

Appeals - Assent or Joinder of Parties

FOR the purpose of removing the provisions relating to the method of appeal to the Court of Appeals or Court of Special Appeals where there are complaintiffs or codefendants or other parties.

May 31, 1974.

Honorable William S. James
President of the Senate
State House
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Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 489.

This bill repeals Section 22 of Article 5 of the Annotated Code of Maryland, which is an obsolete