

Whatever the merits of extending unemployment insurance coverage to public employees may be, I cannot jeopardize the existing program of supplemental benefits, so sorely needed at this time.

For this reason, I have vetoed House Bill 578.

Sincerely,
/s/ Marvin Mandel
Governor

House Bill No. 671 - Baltimore City; Employee Relations
for Police Department

AN ACT concerning

Baltimore City - Police Department

FOR the purpose of providing that the Police Department of Baltimore City and members of the Department may be included within those provisions of the Baltimore City Code which generally deal with Municipal Employee Relations.

May 15, 1975.

Honorable John Hanson Briscoe
Speaker of the House of Delegates
State House
Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 671.

This bill authorizes the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City to include the Baltimore City Police Department and its members within the scope of the City's Municipal Employee Relations Law (Article 1, Sections 110-126, Baltimore City Code).

A similar bill (House Bill 1129) was vetoed by me in 1973, and the veto was sustained by a vote of 117 to 11 in the House of Delegates. My objections to House Bill 671 are the same as they were to House Bill 1129 in 1973. As I stated in my Veto Message to the earlier bill,