

Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 1621.

This bill amends certain provisions in the alcoholic beverages laws of St. Mary's and Charles counties.

The title of House Bill 1621 indicates that its purpose is to amend only the laws relating to Charles County. While the bill does in fact amend certain provisions of the alcoholic beverages laws of Charles County, it also deletes the authority granted to St. Mary's County to issue a special Class D beer (on sale) license.

For this reason, the Attorney General has advised me that House Bill 1621 has a defective title and is therefore in violation of Article III, Section 29 of the Maryland Constitution. While the Attorney General advises that the provisions of House Bill 1621 are severable in so far as St. Mary's County is concerned, I have been requested, by the Honorable James C. Simpson, acting on behalf of the Charles/St. Mary's Counties delegation, to veto House Bill 1621 due to an error in the bill which changed the number of days for which a temporary permit could be used from ten to two days. Copies of Senator Simpson's letter and the opinion of the Attorney General are attached to and should be considered a part of this veto message.

For these reasons, I have decided to veto House Bill 1621.

Sincerely,
/s/ Marvin Mandel
Governor

Letter from Senator James C. Simpson on H.B. 1621

April 11, 1975

The Honorable Marvin Mandel
Governor of Maryland
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21204

Attention: Mr. Alan Wilner,
Chief Legislative Officer

Dear Governor Mandel:

I would appreciate your consideration in vetoing House Bill 1621.

The Charles/St. Mary's Counties' delegation concurs