

Marvin Mandel  
Governor

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Senate Bill No. 46 - Federal Truth-in-Lending Act

AN ACT concerning

Interest - Statement by Lender

[[FOR the purpose of including the total principal amount and total amount of interest within the exception to the requirement for a statement by the lender when covered by the Federal Truth-in-Lending Act.]]

FOR the purpose of providing that the total principal amount and the total amount of interest of certain loans may be included on the Federal Truth-in-Lending Act statement and generally relating to disclosure on certain statements by the lender.

May 17, 1976.

Honorable Steny H. Hoyer  
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 46.

The original purpose of this bill, according to its sponsor, was to exempt lenders who are subject to the Federal Truth-In-Lending Act from the State disclosure requirements contained in Section 12-106 of the Commercial Law Article, in order to avoid duplication, cost, and confusion.

The bill was amended, however, in such a way as to compound the confusion rather than to eliminate it. As passed, the bill purports to authorize a lender to furnish some, but not all, of the information required under State law "as part of the disclosure provisions of the Federal Truth-In-Lending Act...". However, under federal law, a lender cannot furnish inconsistent state law disclosures as part of the federal disclosure. Any state disclosures must be made on a separate piece of paper or in a conspicuous manner on the same piece of