

certain period of time. The present limitations statute applies only to an action against a physician.

Senate Bill 436, which was enacted by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 4, 1976, accomplishes the same objective.

It is therefore unnecessary for me to sign House Bill 1036.

Sincerely,  
Marvin Mandel  
Governor

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House Bill No. 1071 - Telephone Directory Assistance

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission - Telephone Companies

FOR the purpose of providing that the Public Service Commission may not authorize charges for directory assistance.

May 17, 1976.

Honorable John Hanson Briscoe  
Speaker of the House of Delegates  
State House  
Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 1071.

This is one of two bills passed by the General Assembly concerning directory assistance calls. Senate Bill 509, which I have signed, prohibits the Public Service Commission from authorizing the telephone company to impose a charge for directory assistance prior to the adjournment of the 1977 session of the General Assembly. It also requires the Commission and the People's Counsel, with the cooperation of the telephone companies, to prepare a report of the cost, service need, and impact of directory assistance charges for submission to the General Assembly at its next session.

House Bill 1071 flatly prohibits the Commission from