

Supreme Court said that "rights are infringed both where the Government fines a person a penny for being a Republican and where it withholds the grant of a penny for the same reason."

*** In other areas of campaign practices, abuses cross party lines. For example, a 1975 audit disclosed that 500 candidates, committees or campaign treasurers filed delinquent election campaign reports. In addition, although the Democratic and Republican State Central Committees filed their 1976 campaign reports on time, a number of local central committees did not.

****In 1976, the Democratic State Central Committee raised \$42,708.95, and spent \$26,868.29. During the same period, the Republican State Central Committee raised \$91,826.06 and spent \$92,915.22.

House Bill No. 1542 - Athletic Events - Interference

AN ACT concerning

Interference in Athletic Events

FOR the purpose of providing that certain persons who interfere in certain athletic and sporting contests in a certain manner shall be guilty of a crime; providing definitions; and providing penalties.

May 26, 1977

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 1542.

This bill prohibits certain interference in certain athletic and sporting contests.

Senate Bill 167, which was enacted by the General Assembly and signed by Lieutenant Governor Blair Lee III in his capacity as Acting Governor on May 17, 1977, accomplishes the same purpose.

Therefore it is unnecessary for me to sign House