

language; correcting internal references; and generally relating to the assessment and taxation of real property.

May 29, 1978

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 92.

This bill requires each subdivision to include certain information in their property tax bills, and authorizes each subdivision to set an inflation allowance.

The Attorney General has advised me that Senate Bill 92 is inconsistent with the provisions of House bill 766 which was enacted by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 2, 1978. House Bill 766 is the Administration measure which classifies homestead property and provides for an increase in the inflation allowance for that property. Senate Bill 92, if signed, would repeal that special inflation allowance. Therefore, the Attorney General has advised me that Senate Bill 92 should not be signed if House Bill 766 is signed. A copy of the Opinion of the Attorney General is attached and should be considered a part of this veto message.

I veto this bill reluctantly and regretfully. However, I must deal with the bills which were enacted and presented to me. The benefits extended to homeowners by House Bill 766 from the increasing burden of property taxes cannot be imperiled.

For these reasons, I have decided to veto Senate Bill 92.

Sincerely,
Blair Lee III
Acting Governor

Letter from State Law Department on Senate Bill No. 92

April 21, 1978

The Honorable Blair Lee, III
Acting Governor of Maryland
State House