

This bill, and the companion measure, House Bill 587, are technical bills introduced on behalf of the Department of Personnel. They redefine, for purposes of the Pension Article, the terms "employee," "regular interest," and "average final compensation".

Senate Bill 980, which was enacted by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 29, 1978, exempts from the Teachers' and Employees' Retirement Systems, certain employees under the Comprehensive Employment and Training Act. In doing so, Senate Bill 980 amends the provision of the Pension Article defining "employee".

These three measures are legally inconsistent, and all three should not be signed. Therefore, the Department of Personnel has requested that the departmental measures, Senate Bill 268 and House Bill 587, be vetoed in favor of the substantive measure, Senate Bill 980.

For these reasons, I have decided to veto Senate Bill 268.

Sincerely,
Blair Lee III
Acting Governor

Senate Bill No. 278 - The Board of Public Works -
Leases Subject to Board Approval

AN ACT concerning

The Board of Public Works - Leases Subject to
Board Approval

FOR the purpose of providing that the requirement that the Secretary of the Department of General Services shall submit all proposals for leases for office or building space rental to the Board of Public Works for final approval shall not apply if Board of Public Works regulations provide otherwise; providing that the Board of Public Works may adopt regulations, subject to approval by a certain committee, by which State departments, boards, commissions, or other agencies may enter into land, building, or facility space leases or lease renewals prior to or without Board of Public Works approval under certain conditions specified in the Act; and clarifying language.

May 29, 1978