

language of that statute as it now exists which would so indicate, we can only conclude that the effect of these bills would be to change the present law to limit the taxpayers to whom the appeal bond procedure is available.

Since there is nothing in the title which gives notice that such a change of law is contained in the bodies of these bills, we believe that House Bill 1889 and Senate Bill 834 are unconstitutional.

Very truly yours,  
Francis Bill Burch  
Attorney General

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Senate Bill No. 838 - Anne Arundel County - Animal Traps  
AN ACT concerning

Anne Arundel County - Animal Traps

FOR the purpose of providing in Anne Arundel County for restrictions on the use of certain types of animal traps in certain areas with certain exceptions.

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 838.

This bill provides, in Anne Arundel County, for certain restrictions on the use of animal traps.

The Attorney General has advised me that Senate Bill 838 is in contravention of Article XI A, Section 4 of the Maryland Constitution, which prohibits the enactment of a public local law within the scope of the Express Powers Act. A copy of the Opinion of the Attorney General is attached and should be considered a part of this veto message.

In addition, House Bill 624, which was enacted by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 16, 1978, accomplishes on a Statewide basis some of the purposes of this bill.