

in which the property is assessed before a transfer may be made on the assessment records. I believe that our current law sufficiently protects the State's interest in the collection of all taxes in real property transfers.

I believe that it is important that the State facilitate for its citizens their movement within its boundaries. The purchase of a home is oftentimes the most significant act which a family may take. The State must ensure that the taxes owing to it, and to its counties and municipalities, are collected promptly. But we should not impose additional roadblocks or delays in the path of our mobile society; I fear that Senate Bill 1109 may have such an effect, if indirectly.

For these reasons, I have decided to veto Senate Bill 1109.

Sincerely,  
Blair Lee III  
Acting Governor

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Senate Bill No. 1130 - Open Meetings - Board of  
Public Works

AN ACT concerning

Open Meetings - Board of Public Works

FOR the purpose of deleting from the law regarding "Meetings of Public Bodies" a provision that the law does not apply to the Board of Public Works except at an official and formal meeting.

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 1130.

This bill amends the Open Meetings Law to delete a current exception in that law for the Board of Public Works when it is not holding an official and formal meeting.