Senate Bill 972, which was enacted by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 16, 1978, accomplishes the same purpose.

Therefore it is unnecessary for me to sign House Bill 1609.

Sincerely, Blair Lee III Acting Governor

House Bill No. 1623 - Unauthorized Duplication of Scund Recordings

AN ACT concerning

Unauthorized Duplication of Sound Recordings

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the unauthorized duplication, sale, distribution of sound recordings, and the unauthorized recording of live performances, before an audience or transmitted by any means; exempting certain persons; providing for the forfeiture and destruction of certain articles; and generally relating to the unauthorized copying, recording and sale of sound recordings.

May 29, 1978

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 1623.

This bill prohibits the unauthorized duplication, sale, or distribution of sound recordings and the unauthorized recording of live performances, before an audience, or transmitted by any means.

Senate Bill 1015, which was enacted by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 16, 1978, accomplishes the same purpose.

Therefore it is unnecessary for me to sign House Bill 1623.