

courts agree with the department's interpretation of present law, I would seriously consider proposing legislation which would repeal the present law.

For these reasons, I have decided to veto House Bill 292.

Sincerely,  
Harry Hughes  
Governor

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House Bill No. 310

AN ACT concerning

Good Samaritan Act - Fire Departments and  
Rescue Squads

FOR the purpose of providing that the corporate body making up any State, county, municipal, or volunteer fire department or rescue squad is immune to civil penalties for certain acts and under certain circumstances.

May 29, 1979

Honorable Benjamin L. Cardin  
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 310.

This bill establishes circumstances under which fire departments and rescue squads would be immune from civil liability for acts or failure to act, not amounting to gross negligence, in Good Samaritan Act situations.

Senate Bill 1031, which was enacted by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 14, 1979 accomplishes the same purpose.

Therefore it is unnecessary for me to sign House Bill 310.

Sincerely,  
Harry Hughes