SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1981.

May 19, 1981

The 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 685.

This bill provides that when a person is charged with assault and battery and the case is compromised with the consent of the victim and the accused, police and court records may be expunged.

Senate Bill 478, which was enacted by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 12, 1981, accomplishes the same purpose.

Therefore it is unnecessary for me to sign House Bill 685.

Sincerely, Harry Hughes Governor

House Bill No. 694

AN ACT concerning

Division of Correction - Prisoners in Local Facilities

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Division of Correction to consider include certain data when formulating an agreement for reimbursement for prisoners confined in local facilities; correcting an obsolete agency designation; and deleting certain obsolete language.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments Section 690