Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 557.

This bill continues the existence of the State Board of Dental Examiners, the State Board of Examiners of Nurses, the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, the State Board of Examiners in Optometry, the State Board of Pharmacy, the State Board of Medical Examiners, the Commission on Medical Discipline, the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists, and the Health Services Cost Review Commission in accordance with the Program Evaluation Act beyond July 1, 1989 to July 1, 1993.

House Bill 1033, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 10, 1983, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 557.

Sincerely, Harry Hughes Governor

Senate Bill No. 557

AN ACT concerning

Certain Health Boards - Continuation

FOR the purpose of continuing the State Board of Dental Examiners, the State Board of Examiners of Nurses, the State Board of Examiners of Nursing Home Administrators, the State Board of Examiners in Optometry, the State Board of Pharmacy, the State Board of Medical Examiners, the Commission on Medical Discipline, the State Board of Examiners of Psychologists, and the Health Services Cost Review Commission by extending to a certain date the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of these boards in order to bring these provisions into conformity with those of Chapter 519 of the Acts of 1982 (Program Evaluation Act), which altered the period of continuation for certain boards and commissions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health Occupations
Section 4-702, 7-802, 8-502, 10-602, 12-802, 14-802, and 16-502
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1981 Volume and 1982 Supplement)