

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 684 – *Real Estate Licenses – Reciprocity*.

This bill authorizes the State Real Estate Commission to deny, suspend, or revoke specified licenses or reprimand specified licensees under specified circumstances; prohibits the Commission from imposing a specified fine based solely on a specified violation; and authorizes the Commission to issue a reciprocal license to specified persons holding a license to provide real estate brokerage services in another state and whose principal place of business is outside the State.

House Bill 1107, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 684.

Very truly yours,  
Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.  
Governor

**Senate Bill No. 684**

AN ACT concerning

**Real Estate Licenses – Reciprocity**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the State Real Estate Commission to deny, suspend, or revoke certain licenses or reprimand certain licensees under certain circumstances; prohibiting the Commission from imposing a certain fine based solely on a certain violation; authorizing the Commission to issue a reciprocal license to certain persons holding a license to provide real estate brokerage services in another state and whose principal place of business is outside the State; authorizing the Commission to deny an application for a reciprocal license under certain circumstances; prohibiting a real estate salesperson or associate real estate broker holding a reciprocal license from conducting business in the State except in affiliation with a real estate broker holding a standard or reciprocal license; authorizing the implementation of written reciprocal licensing agreements with the real estate licensing authorities of other states under certain circumstances; exempting the holder of a reciprocal license from certain requirements; prohibiting the holder of a reciprocal license from becoming a member of the Commission; specifying that obtaining a reciprocal license from the Commission constitutes sufficient contact with the State for the exercise of personal jurisdiction by the Commission and the courts of the State over the holder of the reciprocal license in certain actions; requiring the Commission to annually publish in the Maryland Register, and on the Internet, certain information regarding reciprocity agreements with other states; requiring a person that holds a reciprocal license to provide certain notification to the Commission under certain circumstances; requiring a person that holds a reciprocal license to obtain a standard license under certain licensing provisions under certain circumstances; authorizing the holder of a reciprocal license to renew the license in accordance with certain provisions of law; requiring an applicant to provide certain proof at the time of application for renewal of a