

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
 President of the Senate
 State House
 Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 531 – *Well Drillers – Permit and License Requirements – Exceptions*.

This bill authorizes a person who has not been issued a well–drilling permit by the Department of the Environment or a person who has not been licensed by the State Board of Well Drillers to install a specified dewatering device under certain conditions. It also requires a person installing a dewatering device under the Act to restore subsurface conditions to a previous level.

House Bill 888, 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 531.

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

Senate Bill No. 531

AN ACT concerning

Well Drillers – Permit and License Requirements – Exceptions

FOR the purpose of authorizing a person who has not been issued a certain well–drilling permit by the Department of the Environment or a person who has not been licensed by the State Board of Well Drillers to install a certain dewatering device under certain conditions; requiring a person installing a dewatering device under this Act to restore certain subsurface conditions to a certain level; and generally relating to exceptions to permit and license requirements for well drillers.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Environment

Section 9–1306 and 13–301

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Environment