Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 955.

This bill permits a law enforcement agency to regulate a law enforcement officer's secondary employment.

House Bill 915, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 15, 1984, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 955.

Sincerely, Harry Hughes Governor

Senate Bill No. 955

AN ACT concerning

Law Enforcement Officers - Regulation of Secondary Employment

FOR the purpose of permitting a law enforcement agency to regulate a law enforcement officer's secondary employment for-certain-purposes.

BY adding to

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments Section 729A Annotated Code of Maryland (1982 Replacement Volume and 1983 Supplement)

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

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

729A.

A LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY MAY NOT PROHIBIT SECONDARY EMPLOYMENT BUT MAY PROMULGATE REASONABLE REGULATIONS AS TO A LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICER'S SECONDARY EMPLOYMENT AS--NEGESSARY---TO PROHIBIT--A--CONFLICT--OF--INTEREST--IN--THE--PERFORMANCE--OF-THE OFFICER'S-OFFICIAL-DUTIES.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1984.