

(A) IF THE SUPERINTENDENT FINDS THAT A COUNTY IS NOT COMPLYING WITH THE MAINTENANCE OF EFFORT PROVISIONS OF § 36 OF THIS ARTICLE, THE SUPERINTENDENT SHALL NOTIFY THE SUBDIVISION OR QUALIFYING MUNICIPALITY OF SUCH NONCOMPLIANCE.

(B) IF A SUBDIVISION OR QUALIFYING MUNICIPALITY DISPUTES THE FINDING WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH NOTICE, THE DISPUTE SHALL BE PROMPTLY REFERRED TO THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FISCAL PLANNING WHO SHALL MAKE A FINAL DETERMINATION.

(C) UPON RECEIPT OF CERTIFICATION OF NONCOMPLIANCE BY THE SUPERINTENDENT OR THE SECRETARY OF THE DEPARTMENT OF BUDGET AND FISCAL PLANNING, AS THE CASE MAY BE, THE COMPTROLLER SHALL SUSPEND, UNTIL NOTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE IS RECEIVED, PAYMENT OF ANY FUNDS DUE THE SUBDIVISION OR QUALIFYING MUNICIPALITY FOR THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, AS PROVIDED IN § 37 OF THIS ARTICLE, TO THE EXTENT THAT THE STATE'S AID DUE THE SUBDIVISION OR QUALIFYING MUNICIPALITY IN THE CURRENT FISCAL YEAR, UNDER THAT SECTION EXCEEDS THE AMOUNT WHICH THE SUBDIVISION OR QUALIFYING MUNICIPALITY RECEIVED IN THE PRIOR FISCAL YEAR.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1985.

May 28, 1985

The Honorable Melvin A. Steinberg
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 271.

Senate Bill 271 would increase the annual salary of the Baltimore County Board of License Commissioners. The bill would take effect July 1, 1985.

Article III, Section 35 of the Maryland Constitution prohibits the salary or compensation of any public officer to be increased or diminished during the officer's term of office unless the officer is serving a term exceeding 4 years. The members of the Baltimore County Board of License Commissioners are appointed by the County Executive biennially for a term beginning the first Monday in June, e.g., June 3, 1985. Therefore, I have been advised by the Attorney General that the salary increase authorized in Senate Bill 271 may not