

of Maryland chartered Savings and Loan Associations, Senate Bill 7 was also enacted during the 1985 Extraordinary Session of the General Assembly providing for an emergency appropriation of \$1,000,000 to fund additional operating costs.

In view of the State's greatly increased costs associated with its expanded regulatory, managerial, and insurance functions for the Savings and Loan Industry, the equilibrium of State costs and franchise tax revenues can best be maintained by sustaining the franchise tax at its present rate.

Therefore, for the above reasons, I have decided to veto Senate Bill 455.

Sincerely,
Harry Hughes
Governor

Senate Bill No. 455

AN ACT concerning

Franchise Tax - Savings-and-Loan Associations

FOR the purpose of clarifying the definition of association for purposes of application of the annual franchise tax; and altering the rate of the annual franchise tax imposed on a savings-and-loan an association.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 81 - Revenue and Taxes
Section 128B
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1980 Replacement Volume and 1984 Supplement)

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

Article 81 - Revenue and Taxes

128B.

(a) In this section, "association" means:

(1) A savings and loan association;

(2) A federal association that has an office in this State; or