

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 306.

This bill exempts blind persons who work in certain workshops from the list of groups of disabled persons who the Commissioner of Labor and Industry may authorize for compensation at less than the minimum wage fixed under the Wage and Hour Law.

House Bill 721, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 13, 1986, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 306.

Sincerely,
Harry Hughes
Governor

Senate Bill No. 306

AN ACT concerning

The Blind - Minimum Wage

FOR the purpose of exempting blind persons who work in certain workshops from the list of groups of disabled persons who the Commissioner of Labor and Industry may authorize for compensation at less than the minimum wage fixed under the Wage and Hour Law.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 100 - Work, Labor and Employment
Section 85(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1985 Replacement Volume)

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

Article 100 - Work, Labor and Employment

85.

(b) (1) The Commissioner may determine rates less than the fixed minimum wage for those handicapped by physical or mental disability upon the circumstances of the individual case and shall issue certificates for such periods of time as stated therein.