

(b) For the time that the individual spent in institutional custody between the date on which the commitment proceeding began and the commitment ended, the individual shall receive full credit towards any sentence.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be applied in all proceedings, including appeals, pending on the effective date of this Act and, except as expressly provided in Section 3 of this Act, all rights accruing under the statutes repealed by this Act shall be regarded as remedial in nature and are terminated on the effective date of this Act.

SECTION -2- 3 . AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act may not be construed to affect any commitment of any individual under Title 9, Subtitle 6, Part V of the Health - General Article made before July 1, 1986, and the provisions repealed or amended by this Act shall apply to an individual so committed as if the provisions had not been repealed or amended.

SECTION -3- 4 . AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1986.

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May 27, 1986

The Honorable Benjamin L. Cardin  
Speaker of the House of Delegates  
State House  
Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 208 due to the potential unintended adverse impact and confusion that this legislation might cause concerning hunting wildlife at night.

This bill was introduced by the Department of Natural Resources as a clarification to existing law.

House Bill 208, as enacted, would amend Section 10-410(b) of the Natural Resources Article to permit a person to hunt fox at night. The bill further provides that a person who hunts fox at night may only use a .22 rimfire rifle or pistol.

The goal of House Bill 208, as introduced, was to clarify an ambiguity in the existing law relating to restrictions on hunting fox. Under Section 10-410(b) of the Natural Resources Article, "A person may not hunt any game bird or mammal, except raccoon and opossum, at nighttime." The word "fox" does not appear. Section 10-410(e), however, prohibits the jacklighting of