VETOES

Senate Bill 428, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on April 29, 1987, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 694.

Sincerely, William Donald Schaefer Governor

House Bill No. 694

AN ACT concerning

Crimes - Contracts for Compensation

FOR the purpose of requiring that certain contracts relating to the reenactment of certain crimes be submitted to the Attorney General; requiring that payments under those contracts be submitted to the Attorney General; requiring the Attorney General to notify a victim of a certain crime that a certain contract has been submitted to the Attorney General; providing for the establishment of an escrow account by the Attorney General and for the payment of funds from that account; providing for periods of limitations; requiring the Attorney General to publish a certain legal notice after receiving funds under this section; prohibiting the concealment of a certain contract and certain payments under the contract; providing that certain actions by a defendant are void as against public policy; establishing the Maryland Victims of Crime Fund and providing a certain method of funding the Fund; granting certain authority to the Attorney General; providing for a certain civil penalty; providing certain procedures; providing for the construction of this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to moneys owing to criminal defendants pursuant to contracts relating to the reenactment of crimes.

BY adding to

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments Section 764 Annotated Code of Maryland (1982 Replacement Volume and 1986 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