## WILLIAM DONALD SCHAEFER, Governor

May 27, 1988

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. President of the Senate State House Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 76.

This bill makes certain video records confidential and generally forbids tape distributors from disclosing identifying information concerning their customers.

House Bill 56, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 27, 1988, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 76.

Sincerely, William Donald Schaefer Governor

Senate Bill No. 76

AN ACT concerning

## Video-Privacy-Protection-Act Videotape Distributors - Publication of Protected Information

FOR--the--purpose--of--prohibiting--the--wrongful--disclosure--by videotape-distributors-of-certain--information--relating--to the--identity--of-videotapes-and-the-identity-of-individuals renting-or-purchasing-those-videotapes-for-home--use--rented or-purchased-by-certain-individuals;-defining-certain-terms; providing--certain--penalties;-and-generally-relating-to-the protection-of-a-reasonable-expectation--of--privacy--in--the rental-or-sales-of-videotapes;

FOR the purpose of prohibiting certain videotape distributors and certain other persons from publishing certain information relating to an individual who buys, rents, or borrows videotapes, videodisks, or films; defining certain terms; providing certain exceptions; providing certain penalties; and generally relating to the publication of certain information by videotape distributors.

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