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(2) NOTWITHSTANDING ANY OTHER PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE, AN INDIVIDUAL MAY NOT BE DISQUALIFIED FOR BENEFITS IF THE INDIVIDUAL IS RECEIVING, HAS RECEIVED, OR WILL RECEIVE HOLIDAY PAY OR VACATION PAY WHICH IS ATTRIBUTABLE TO ANY PERIOD WHICH IS OUTSIDE OF THE TERMS OF AN EMPLOYMENT AGREEMENT WHICH SPECIFIES SCHEDULED VACATION OR HOLIDAY PERIODS OR EMPLOYEE DISCRETION IN SCHEDULING VACATION OR HOLIDAY PERIODS.

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 $\underline{\mbox{As used in this article, unless the context clearly requires}}$ otherwise:

(1) An individual shall be deemed "unemployed" in any week during which he performs no services and with respect to which no wages are payable to him or in any week of less than full-time work if the wages payable to him with respect to such week are less than his weekly benefit amount plus allowances for dependents. [For purposes of this section of the law and for the purpose of the taking of claims for and the payment of weekly benefits, holiday pay and/or vacation pay earned or accumulated to the credit of the individual, which is paid at the time of layoff or separation from employment or during a period of unemployment resulting from a cause other than vacation or holiday, shall not be considered wages.]

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act shall take effect July 3, 1988 and shall apply to individuals who file claims for weeks of unemployment beginning on or after July 3, 1988.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall take effect July 26, 1988 and shall apply to individuals who file claims for a week of unemployment on or after the week beginning June 26, 1988.

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 578.