

(A) IF THE COURT IS UNABLE TO MAKE A SUBSTITUTED JUDGMENT UNDER § 13-712 OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE COURT MAY APPROVE A REQUEST FOR THE WITHHOLDING OR WITHDRAWAL OF A LIFE-SUSTAINING PROCEDURE FROM THE DISABLED PERSON IF THE COURT DETERMINES, ON THE BASIS OF CLEAR AND CONVINCING EVIDENCE, THAT THE WITHHOLDING OR WITHDRAWAL IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE DISABLED PERSON.

(B) IN DETERMINING WHETHER THE WITHHOLDING OR WITHDRAWAL IS IN THE BEST INTEREST OF THE DISABLED PERSON UNDER THIS SECTION, THE COURT MAY NOT CONSIDER A PREEXISTING PHYSICAL OR MENTAL DISABILITY THAT HAS NO EFFECT ON THE MEDICAL CONDITION THAT WOULD BE THE SUBJECT OF TREATMENT THE DECISION OF WHETHER LIFE-SUSTAINING PROCEDURES SHOULD BE PROVIDED, WITHHELD, OR WITHDRAWN SHALL NOT BE BASED, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, ON EITHER A PATIENT'S PREEXISTING, LONG-TERM MENTAL OR PHYSICAL DISABILITY, OR A PATIENT'S ECONOMIC DISADVANTAGE.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the captions and catchlines contained in this Act are not law and may not be considered to have been enacted as part of this Act.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1993.

May 27, 1993

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 668.

This bill would transfer responsibility for the issuance of liquor licenses and the collection of applicable fees from the Clerks of the Circuit Courts to the applicable responsible county official.

House Bill 1247, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 27, 1993, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 668.

Sincerely,
William Donald Schaefer
Governor

Senate Bill No. 668

AN ACT concerning