

SECTION 2. 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 893.

This bill would remove the Maryland Environmental Service as a unit of the Department of Natural Resources and make it an independent unit of government. It would provide for the appointment of the Director and Board of Directors of the Service, and increase the number of members on the Board to nine. This legislation would exempt the Service from State procurement law but not from Minority Business Enterprise, prevailing wage, and bonding provisions; and would require that the Service establishes its own procurement system based on competition through regulations pursuant to the Administrative Procedure Act.

House Bill 1580, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on April 26, 1993, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 893.

Sincerely,  
William Donald Schaefer  
Governor

**Senate Bill No. 893**

AN ACT concerning

**Maryland Environmental Service**

FOR the purpose of separating the Maryland Environmental Service from the Department of Natural Resources and reconstituting the Service as an instrumentality of the State and a public corporation; amending the method of appointment and increasing the number of members of the Board of Directors, and specifying their terms; amending the duties, responsibilities, and term of the director of the Service; requiring the Attorney General to assign assistant attorneys general and other staff to the Service; exempting the Service from certain provisions of Article 64A of the Code and the State Finance and Procurement Article; authorizing the Service to establish a personnel system and specifying the rights and privileges of State employees of the Service as of a certain date; providing for continuing membership of certain employees of the Service in the Employees' Retirement System of the State of Maryland or the Pension System for Employees