

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

May 27, 1993

The Honorable R. Clayton Mitchell, Jr.  
Speaker of the House of Delegates  
State House  
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 1221.

This bill would authorize local governments to create an optional semiannual property tax payment schedule for owner-occupied residential property.

Senate Bill 35, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 27, 1993, accomplishes a similar purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 1221.

Sincerely,  
William Donald Schaefer  
Governor

**House Bill No. 1221**

AN ACT concerning

**Real Property Tax – Semiannual Payment**

FOR the purpose of authorizing the counties or Baltimore City or municipal corporations to authorize certain property owners to elect to pay real property taxes on a semiannual basis; establishing the tax years to which a semiannual schedule applies; requiring certain property owners to pay a certain service charge; providing for the adoption and calculation of the service charge; requiring that a property tax bill include certain information; establishing the dates by which a property tax must be paid under a semiannual schedule; requiring that the property tax be paid in a certain manner if an escrow account is established; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the payment of property taxes on a semiannual basis.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – Property

Section 10-102

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1986 Volume and 1992 Supplement)