

**Article - Family Law**

**SUBTITLE 2A. ~~COMMERCIAL~~ SURROGATE PARENTAGE CONTRACTS**

5-2A-01.

A ~~COMMERCIAL~~ SURROGATE PARENTAGE CONTRACT IS VOID AND UNENFORCEABLE AS AGAINST STATE POLICY.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1994.

May 26, 1994

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 183.

This bill would make it a misdemeanor (theft) to willfully and knowingly obtain or exert unauthorized control over a newspaper with the intent to prevent others from reading it.

House Bill 198, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 26, 1994, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 183.

Sincerely,  
William Donald Schaefer  
Governor

**Senate Bill No. 183**

AN ACT concerning

**Crimes - Newspaper Theft**

FOR the purpose of prohibiting the theft of certain newspapers by individuals possessing a certain intent; establishing certain penalties; defining a certain term; and generally relating to theft.

BY adding to

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments  
Section 345  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1992 Replacement Volume and 1993 Supplement)