

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Section 3 of this Act, 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 298.

This Administration bill would require the Maryland State Police to establish a statewide DNA data base system.

House Bill 410, 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 298.

Sincerely,
William Donald Schaefer
Governor

Senate Bill No. 298

AN ACT concerning

State Police – Statewide DNA Data Base System and Repository

FOR the purpose of creating a statewide DNA data base system and repository within the Crime Laboratory Division of the Maryland State Police; establishing the system and repository as the State's central location for all DNA samples and testing information collected under this Act; requiring the Director of the Crime Laboratory to ~~adopt~~ consult with the Superintendent of the Maryland State Police on the adoption of certain rules and regulations; requiring the Superintendent to adopt certain regulations under certain circumstances; specifying that any regulations adopted contain certain restrictions and conditions; specifying that certain persons convicted of certain crimes shall provide a DNA sample under certain circumstances; establishing the procedures to be followed in the taking of a DNA sample; specifying that only certain persons may collect a DNA sample; ~~providing for immunity from civil liability for certain persons who take DNA samples under certain circumstances;~~ specifying the purposes for which DNA samples shall be tested; providing for the storage of DNA samples and DNA identification characteristics; providing for the security of DNA samples and DNA typing results stored in the repository and data base system; establishing certain standards that certain laboratories shall meet for inclusion in the statewide DNA data base system; requiring certain testing of the Crime Laboratory and analysts performing DNA analyses