

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That on or before ~~October~~ *December* 1, 1994, the Management Analysis Unit of the Department of Budget and Fiscal Planning shall submit to the Legislative Policy Committee a detailed report on the workers' compensation program for State employees. The report shall evaluate: (1) risk management and loss control; (2) coordination of benefits; (3) the potential benefit to the State of marketing a portion of the State's workers' compensation liability in the private sector to a management company that will have a financial incentive to aggressively manage the risk; and (4) the possibility of revising the method for budgeting and charging workers' compensation at the agency level in order to create incentives for aggressive risk management at that level.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1994.

May 26, 1994

The Honorable Casper R. Taylor, 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 1648.

This emergency bill would prohibit a producer or refiner of motor fuel from including in an agreement or contract with a service station dealer any provision that limits or waives the right of the dealer to petition any government entity or lawfully advocate or oppose any government or regulatory matter. Any provision in an agreement or contract that violates this bill would be void and unenforceable. The bill would apply both retroactively and prospectively from its effective date.

Senate Bill 822, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on April 12, 1994, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 1648.

Sincerely,
William Donald Schaefer
Governor

House Bill No. 1648

AN ACT concerning

Service Station Dealers – Contracts with Producers or Refiners of Motor Fuel

FOR the purpose of providing that a producer or refiner of motor fuel may not include in any agreement or contract entered into with a service station dealer any provision that limits or waives certain rights of the service station dealer; providing that the