

owns the vehicle may apply to the Administration for the assignment of a special registration number and special registration plates under this section for a vehicle included in one of the following classes:

- (i) A Class A (passenger) vehicle;
- (ii) A Class E (truck) vehicle with a [3/4] ONE ton or less manufacturer's rated capacity; or
- (iii) A Class M (multipurpose) vehicle.

(2) To be eligible for a special registration under this section, an applicant shall provide proof that is satisfactory to the Administration that the applicant is a recipient of an individually earned, combat-related, armed forces medal.

(b) (1) In addition to the annual registration fee otherwise required under this title, an owner of a vehicle assigned a special registration under this section shall pay a fee as determined by the Administration each time new registration plates are issued for the vehicle. The fee shall be calculated to recover the costs incurred by the Administration in carrying out the provisions of this section.

(c) Special registration plates issued under this section:

- (1) May consist of any combination of letters, numerals, or both; and
- (2) Shall include:
 - (i) An emblem or logo as authorized by the Administration that depicts the medal; and
 - (ii) Words describing the medal printed across the bottom of the plates.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1996.

May 23, 1996

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 222.

This bill creates the Maryland Commission on Criminal Sentencing Policy, provides for the appointment of members of the Commission and makes the Act contingent on the inclusion of certain funds in the Capital Budget for Fiscal Year 1997.

House Bill 299, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on this date,