

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 581.

This bill adds a new labeling requirement for charitable fund-raising containers by requiring that it be stated on the container and to the person who grants permission for the placement of the container that a portion of the money deposited is retained by the business placing the container, if less than all the money deposited is given to a charitable organization or used for a charitable purpose. The bill also specifies that the requirement applies at any location open to the public.

House Bill 1080, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on April 29, 1997, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 581.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

Senate Bill No. 581

AN ACT concerning

Charitable Organizations – Fund-Raising Containers – Labeling

FOR the purpose of modifying requirements concerning information that must be provided on certain devices or containers used for charitable fund-raising purposes and given to certain persons granting permission for their placement; requiring that specified information be given when a device or container is placed on the property of another; providing that the provisions of this Act do not apply under specified circumstances; establishing a penalty and specifying a certain defense expanding locations to which disclosure requirements apply; and generally relating to the modification of the Maryland Charitable Solicitations Act as it relates to disclosure requirements and certain devices and containers used for charitable fund-raising purposes.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Business Regulation
Section 6-101(a), (e), (d), and (f) 6-619
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1992 Volume and 1996 Supplement)

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