

LIEU OF FEDERAL FUNDS APPROPRIATED IN CONNECTION WITH THE GLENDALE BRIDGE PROJECT, NO part of the grantee's matching fund may be provided, either directly or indirectly, from funds of the State, whether appropriated or unappropriated. No part of the fund may consist of real property, in kind contributions, or funds expended prior to the effective date of this Act. In case of any dispute as to the amount of the matching fund or what money or assets may qualify as matching funds, the Board of Public Works shall determine the matter and the Board's decision is final. The grantee has until June 1, 1997, to present evidence satisfactory to the Board of Public Works that a matching fund will be provided. If satisfactory evidence is presented, the Board shall certify this fact and the amount of the matching fund to the State Treasurer, and the proceeds of the loan equal to the amount of the matching fund shall be expended for the purposes provided in this Act. Any amount of the loan in excess of the amount of the matching fund certified by the Board of Public Works shall be canceled and be of no further effect.

(6) The Maryland Department of Transportation shall provide a \$500,000 grant and a \$500,000 interest-free loan to the grantee to support this project. The Department of Natural Resources shall provide any technical or in kind assistance requested by the grantee or the Maryland Department of Transportation for this project.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act is an emergency measure, is necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, has been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of all the members elected to each of the two Houses of the General Assembly, and shall take effect from the date it is enacted.

May 22, 1997

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 843.

This bill establishes health insurance reform in the individual and group market consistent with the provisions of the federal Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act. The bill applies to health insurers, nonprofit health service plans, and HMOs (carriers) that offer individual and group coverage.

House Bill 1358, 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 843.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor