

recommendations and provide draft legislation, as necessary, by December 1, 1999, to allow for consideration during the 2000 legislative session.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1999. It shall remain effective for a period of 1-year 2 years and, at the end of June 30, 2000 2001, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.

May 27, 1999

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 147.

This bill requires that crime victims and victims' representatives be notified of hearings on all motions for new trials and petitions for sentence review and have the right to attend such hearings:

House Bill 304, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 27, 1999, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 147.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

Senate Bill 147

AN ACT concerning

Victims' Rights - Notification and Attendance - ~~Postconviction~~ Posttrial Proceedings

FOR the purpose of requiring the notification of certain victims and victims' representatives about certain postconviction proceedings and hearings on motions for new trials; authorizing certain victims and victims' representatives to attend certain postconviction proceedings and hearings on motions for new trials; requiring the State's Attorney to notify a victim or designated family member of any appeals filed in the Court of Special Appeals and the Court of Appeals; and generally relating to victims' notification procedures.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 27 - Crimes and Punishments

Section 594, 645A, and 784.

Annotated Code of Maryland