

Speaker of the House
State House
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 250. This bill makes various changes to provisions of law relating to marriage licenses.

Senate Bill 282, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 13, 1999, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 250.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

House Bill 250

AN ACT concerning

Family Law - Marriage Licenses

FOR the purpose of altering the period of time during which disclosure of an application for a marriage license is prohibited; altering the contents of a marriage license and certificate; establishing that a license is valid for six months from the effective date and time stated on the license; expanding a provision of law that authorizes the issuance of replacement licenses only in Anne Arundel County to include the other counties in the State; establishing a fee for a replacement license in the State; requiring that the fee for a replacement license be paid into the general fund of the State; altering the time period for obtaining a replacement license; authorizing a clerk to issue and deliver a marriage license at the time an application for a license is made; authorizing a clerk to deliver a license in a certain manner; establishing that, except under certain circumstances, a marriage license is not effective until a certain time after the license is issued; repealing a provision of law that prohibited a clerk from delivering a license until a certain time after an application is made or a notarized application is received; authorizing a judge of the circuit court for the county in which the application for a license is made to sign a certain authorization under certain circumstances; repealing a provision of law concerning the destruction of marriage license applications under certain circumstances; altering the time period within which a marriage ceremony may be performed; prohibiting an individual from performing a marriage ceremony without a license that is effective; altering a certain period of time after which a clerk is required to attempt to make certain determinations; providing for the validity of marriage licenses issued before the effective date of this Act; making clarifying and stylistic changes; and generally relating to marriage licenses.

BY renumbering