

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 312.

This bill provides that if a child under 18 years old is convicted of a crime or found to have committed a delinquent act involving a destructive device, the court may order the child, the child's parent, or both to pay restitution. Under current law, only the child may be ordered to pay restitution. The court may also order the Motor Vehicle Administration (MVA) to suspend the child's driving privilege for a period not to exceed: for a first offense, 6 months; and for a second or subsequent offense, one year or until the child is 21 years old, whichever is longer.

Senate Bill 223, 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 312.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

House Bill 312

AN ACT concerning

~~Juvenile Law — Offenses Involving Destructive Devices — Penalties —
Suspension of Driving Privileges and Parental Penalties — Suspension of
Driving Privileges and Parental Restitution~~

FOR the purpose of ~~authorizing the court to order the Motor Vehicle Administration to suspend the driving privilege of a child convicted of a crime or found to have committed a delinquent act involving a destructive device; authorizing the court to order the Motor Vehicle Administration to suspend the driving privilege of a child convicted of a crime or found to have committed a delinquent act involving a destructive device;~~ specifying that a court may order a child found to have committed a delinquent act involving a destructive device to pay restitution to certain entities and persons; authorizing a court to order a child, the child's parent, or both to pay restitution for offenses involving a destructive device under certain circumstances; establishing that, except under certain circumstances, a certain provision of law regarding restitution for offenses committed by a child applies to an order of restitution under this Act; ~~establishing procedures for the suspension of a child's driving privilege under certain circumstances; requiring a county superintendent of schools to suspend or expel a student convicted of a crime or found to have committed a delinquent act involving a destructive device; establishing procedures for the suspension or expulsion of certain students under certain circumstances; authorizing a county superintendent to require a student or a student's parent to make certain~~