VETOES:

- (2) Of the [5] 6 members of the Advisory Committee:
- (i) 1 shall be nominated by the chairman of the Commission and be another member of the Commission;
- (ii) **[1]** 2 shall be nominated by the chairman of the Commission and EACH ONE shall represent a SEPARATE TO REPRESENT EACH harness racing licensee;
- (iii) 2 shall be nominated by a majority vote of the organization that represents a majority of Standardbred Breeders in the State, and 1 of those recommended shall be a commercial breeder as defined by the Commission; and
- (iv) 1 shall be nominated by a majority vote of the Cloverleaf Standardbred Owners Association, Inc.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1999.

May 27, 1999

The Honorable Casper R. Taylor, Jr. 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 997.

This bill establishes a State Highway Access Valuation Board to review decisions made by the State Highway Administration (SHA) regarding rights of access to highways. An owner of property that abuts a State highway may petition SHA to sell to the owner a right of access to the highway. SHA may grant the right of access and define the terms of the agreement or may deny the petition, citing the reasons for the denial. The owner may appeal to the valuation board if not satisfied with SHA's decision on the cost of access rights.

Senate Bill 728, 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 House Bill 997.

Sincerely, Parris N. Glendening Governor

House Bill 997

AN ACT concerning

State Highways - Cost of Right of Access - Process and Review Appeal