

(d) Excluding Saturdays, Sundays, and legal holidays, within 48 hours after receiving the person's notice under § 12-108 of this subtitle, an owner that determines under subsection (c) of this section that an underground facility may be damaged or disturbed shall notify the person of the determination.

(e) An owner that elects to perform a proposed excavation or demolition shall perform the excavation or demolition around the underground facility in a timely manner.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect on or application to any cause of action for damages to an underground facility arising before the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2000.

May 18, 2000

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 484 - Drug Dealer Liability Act.

This bill provides that a person who is convicted of knowingly and willfully manufacturing, distributing, dispensing, bringing into or transporting a controlled dangerous substance in the State is liable for damages in a civil action for the death of an individual caused by the individual's use of a controlled dangerous substance. The bill specifies who may bring such an action and the types of damages that may be recovered from a defendant.

House Bill 178, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 11, 2000, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 484.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

Senate Bill No. 484

AN ACT concerning

Drug Dealer Liability Act

FOR the purpose of making certain persons who ~~manufacture, distribute, dispense, or bring into or transport~~ are convicted under certain provisions of law of