

ENVIRONMENTAL AFFAIRS COMMITTEE, AND THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY WITHIN 30 DAYS OF THE ISSUANCE OF MODIFICATIONS TO THE BLOODBORNE PATHOGEN STANDARD.

SECTION ~~2~~ 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect ~~June~~ 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 554 – Disease Prevention – Reporting Hepatitis C.

This bill adds viral hepatitis type C to the list of reportable diseases which must be reported to the county health officer by the director of a medical laboratory within 48 hours after the examination of a specimen from a human body shows evidence of the disease.

House Bill 845, 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 554.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

Senate Bill No. 554

AN ACT concerning

Disease Prevention - Reporting Hepatitis C

FOR the purpose of requiring the director of a medical laboratory to submit a report to a local health officer if certain evidence indicates the presence of viral hepatitis type C in an individual; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to reports on diseases.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 18-205(a)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1994 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: