

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 825 – Land Patents – Property Line Surveyors.

This bill expands the definition of “surveyor” to include a property line surveyor with respect to the application, review, and issuance of land patents. The property line surveyor must be licensed under the Maryland Professional Land Surveyors Act. The bill also allows the Commissioner of Land Patents to accept a previously performed property line survey when the Commissioner must settle a land dispute case.

Senate Bill 411, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me today, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 825.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

House Bill No. 825

AN ACT concerning

Land Patents – Property Line Surveyors

FOR the purpose of expanding the definition of “surveyor” to include a property line surveyor with respect to the application, review, and issuance of land patents; authorizing the Commissioner of Land Patents to accept, under certain circumstances, a survey previously performed by a qualified property line surveyor in lieu of a survey performed under a warrant; and generally relating to land patents and property line surveyors.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 13–101(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1996 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Real Property
Section 13–101(l) and 13–306(b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1996 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)

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

Article – Real Property