- (ii) Require that these funds be used subject to any conditions specified by the appropriating agency or imposed under this subtitle.
- (2) The Department may authorize the State Comptroller to withhold funds from any regional resource center or metropolitan cooperative service program that fails to meet the standards adopted by the Department.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

May 18, 2000

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 1189 – Transportation – Priority Funding Areas.

This bill requires the Maryland Department of Transportation (MDOT) to establish measurable transportation goals and benchmarks on alternatives to automobile transportation in priority funding areas and to report annually on the attainment of the goals and benchmarks. The bill also establishes a 13-member advisory committee to advise MDOT on the establishment of transportation goals, indicators and benchmarks.

Senate Bill 731, 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 House Bill 1189.

Sincerely, Parris N. Glendening Governor

House Bill No. 1189

AN ACT concerning

Transportation - Priority Funding Areas

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Transportation jointly with the Office of Planning to provide counties with maps establishing performance goals to reduce traffic congestion and increase the use of nonautomobile traffic; establishing a subcommittee of the Transportation Commission on Transportation in Priority Funding Areas; providing that the members of the Task Force are entitled to reimbursement for certain expenses; specifying the membership and duties of the Task Force; requiring certain information about priority funding areas to be included in certain transportation plans and reports; and generally relating to transportation in priority funding areas to