normal duties unrelated to the weather emergency on September 16, yet they would be paid double-time. At the same time, non-essential colleagues of these employees who also went to work on that day despite the weather would receive no additional pay or leave.

For the above reasons, I have vetoed House Bill 1252.

Sincerely, Parris N. Glendening Governor

House Bill No. 1252

AN ACT concerning

State Employees - Compensation for Work Performed by Essential Employees During Hurricane Floyd

FOR the purpose of providing that essential employees of any principal unit or independent agency of the Executive Branch of State government who, due to the weather-related emergency resulting from Hurricane Floyd, were required to report to work in certain counties on a certain date shall be entitled to receive certain compensatory time or additional pay for the hours worked during the weather-related emergency situation; requiring the principal unit or independent agency that employs an essential employee entitled to compensatory time or additional pay to calculate the amount of compensatory time or additional pay earned by the employee and credit the compensatory time or pay the additional amount to the employee no later than a certain time; providing for the funding for any payments under this Act; and generally relating to the compensation of essential State employees in the Executive Branch of State government.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That essential employees of any principal unit or independent agency of the Executive Branch of State government who, due to the weather-related emergency resulting from Hurricane Floyd, were required to report to work in Anne Arundel, Cecil, Harford, or Kent County on September 16, 1999, during the full-day closing period of 6:00 a.m. to the end of the day shift, shall be entitled to receive compensatory time or additional pay, as appropriate, under the regulations and policies concerning work hours and overtime. These employees shall be credited with two hours of work time for each hour actually worked during the weather-related emergency situation.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the principal unit or independent agency that employs an essential employee entitled to compensatory time or additional pay under Section 1 of this Act shall calculate the amount of compensatory time or additional pay earned by the employee and credit the compensatory time or pay the additional amount to the employee no later than 30 days after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That any payment due under