

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 294 – On-Site Generated Electricity – Approval Process.

This bill establishes a new approval process for the construction of a generating station that produces on-site generated electricity and will generate less than 70 megawatts.

House Bill 356, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 294.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

Senate Bill No. 294

AN ACT concerning

On-Site Generated Electricity – ~~Exemption~~ Approval Process

FOR the purpose of ~~exempting certain generating stations that produce only on-site generated electricity from the requirement to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity for certain purposes~~ authorizing requiring the Public Service Commission to waive the requirement to obtain a certificate of public convenience and necessity under certain circumstances; authorizing requiring the Commission to require a person to obtain approval from the Commission before the person may construct a generating station under certain circumstances; requiring an application to contain certain information; requiring the Commission to consider certain criteria, require certain notification, and conduct its review and approval in a certain manner; authorizing the Commission to waive an element of a certain process under certain circumstances; providing that the Department of the Environment may not require a certain permit or registration for the construction of a generating station constructed by a certain person; altering a certain definition; and generally relating to the review and approval of the construction of certain generating stations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Environment

Section 2-402

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1996 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utility Companies

Section 7-207(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Volume and 2000 Supplement)