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any bonds issued under previously enacted laws is hereby ratified, confirmed, and approved. This Act, being necessary for the welfare of the inhabitants of the County, shall be liberally construed to effect its purposes. All Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed to the extent of any inconsistency.

SECTION 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2001.

May 17, 2001

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 307 – Family Law – Foster Parents.

This bill grants and defines the rights of foster parents in terms of access to all pertinent information emanating from the caseworker, local departments of social services and the courts concerning the assistance, guidance, treatment or rehabilitation of a child.

House Bill 914, 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 307.

Sincerely, Parris N. Glendening Governor

## Senate Bill No. 307

AN ACT concerning

## Family Law - Foster Parents

FOR the purpose of setting forth certain rights of foster parents in the State; providing for the construction of this Act; and generally relating to foster care.

BY adding to

Article - Family Law

Section 5-504

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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