SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 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 888 - Wicomico County - Refunds of Local Transfer Tax.

This bill authorizes Wicomico County to refund transfer taxes enacted on May 31, 2000 by the local emergency ordinance that was later rejected by the voters at referendum on November 7, 2000.

House Bill 1436, 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 888.

Sincerely, Parris N. Glendening Governor

Senate Bill No. 888

AN ACT concerning

Wicomico County - Refunds of Local Transfer Tax

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Wicomico County Council to refund certain transfer tax assessed and collected under the authority of certain emergency legislation that was subsequently rejected by voters in a referendum; authorizing the Wicomico County Council to provide for the distribution of a certain refund; and generally relating to authorization for the Wicomico County Council to refund certain local transfer tax assessed and collected in Wicomico County.

Preamble

WHEREAS, In 1992 the General Assembly enacted Chapter 399, authorizing the Wicomico County Council to impose a local transfer tax; and

WHEREAS, On May 31, 2000, under the authority granted under Chapter 399 of the Acts of 1992, the Wicomico County Council passed Wicomico County Council Bill No. 2000-5 as an emergency measure effective from the date of its passage, imposing a 1% local transfer tax; and