

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2001.

May 17, 2001

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 1291 – Universal Service Program Fund – Retention.

This bill permits any undistributed balance in the Universal Service Program Fund on June 30, 2001 to remain in the fund for disbursement through June 30, 2002 to customers who qualify for assistance from the fund in fiscal 2001 and apply for assistance before July 1, 2001.

Senate Bill 831, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 1291.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

House Bill No. 1291

AN ACT concerning

Universal Service Program Fund – Retention

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Public Service Commission to retain certain funds in the universal service program fund at the end of a certain date and make the funds available for disbursement through a certain date; requiring the Commission and the Department of Human Resources to report to certain persons on certain matters pertaining to the universal service program and fund by a certain date; providing for the effective date and termination of this Act; and generally relating to the universal service fund.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Public Utility Companies

Section 7-512.1(h)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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