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 180 – Continuing Care Communities – Direct Admissions Into Comprehensive Care Nursing Bed – Repeal of Abrogation Provision.

This bill repeals the June 30, 2002 termination date for provisions that allow continuing care retirement communities to have direct admissions to their nursing home beds and still retain their Certificate of Need exemption.

House Bill 321, 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 180.

Sincerely, Parris N. Glendening Governor

## Senate Bill No. 180

AN ACT concerning

## Continuing Care Communities - Direct Admissions Into Comprehensive Care Nursing Bed - Repeal of Abrogation Provision

FOR the purpose of repealing the abrogation provision relating to definitions for health planning and development that apply to certain health care facilities; repealing the abrogation provision relating to provisions that allow certain continuing care communities to admit subscribers directly to a comprehensive care nursing bed; and generally relating to direct admissions into comprehensive care nursing beds in continuing care communities.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 19-114 and 19-124

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 238 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2000

Section 2

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

## Article - Health - General