S.B. 352 VETOES

May 16, 2002

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 352 – Vehicle Laws – Drunk Driving – Repeat Offenders.

This bill requires the Motor Vehicle Administration to suspend for one year the driver's license of a person convicted of driving or attempting to drive while under the influence of alcohol or under the influence of alcohol per se more than once within a five—year period. The bill also requires such repeat offenders to participate in the ignition interlock program for three months to one year after the mandatory one—year suspension as a condition of license restoration or reinstatement, and increases other penalties applicable to such repeat offenses.

House Bill 4, 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 352.

Sincerely, Parris N. Glendening Governor

Senate Bill No. 352

AN ACT concerning

Vehicle Laws - Drunk and Drugged Driving - Repeat Offenders

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor-Vehicle Administration to suspend for a certain period the license of a person convicted of certain repeat alcohol or drug related driving offenses within a certain period; prohibiting the Administration from issuing a restrictive license or modifying a suspension during certain mandatory periods of suspension; altering the penalties for a person convicted of repeated offenses of driving while under the influence or under the influence per se and driving while impaired by alcohol, drugs, or a combination of alcohol and drugs under certain circumstances; requiring the use of an ignition interlock system under certain circumstances; altering the period of certain license suspensions imposed under certain circumstances; altering the time period for filing a reinstatement application for a driver's license or privilege to drive under certain circumstances; making conforming changes; making a technical correction of an obsolete reference; providing for the effective date of this Act; making a stylistic change; and generally relating to penaltics for drunk and drugged driving repeat-offenders.

FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to suspend for a certain period the license to drive of a person who is convicted within a certain