

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the grant of formal recognition of Maryland Indian status to a particular native American tribe, band, group, or clan under this Act may not be construed to create any entitlements, benefits, or rights to conduct, manage, or operate any gambling or gaming activities in the State.

SECTION ~~2~~ 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(1) this Act shall be construed to apply retroactively and shall be applied to and interpreted to affect any application that has been recommended by the Commission on Indian Affairs to the Governor for formal recognition of Maryland Indian status on or after January 1, 2001, and on which the Governor has not taken any action by October 1, 2002; and

(2) the Governor shall have 120 days from the effective date of this Act to comply with Article 83B, § 5-406(d) of the Code, as enacted by this Act, with respect to an application described under item (1) of this section.

SECTION ~~2~~ 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2002.

May 16, 2002

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 347 – Correctional Services – Local Correctional Facilities – Inmate Welfare Funds.

This bill authorizes the establishment of an inmate welfare fund in each local correctional facility.

Senate Bill 271, 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 347.

Sincerely,  
Parris N. Glendening  
Governor

**House Bill No. 347**

AN ACT concerning

**Correctional Services – Local Correctional Facilities – Inmate Welfare Funds**

FOR the purpose of ~~establishing~~ authorizing the establishment of an inmate welfare