

(5) "SELLER" MEANS A WHOLESALER, DISTRIBUTOR, RETAILER, OR OTHER INDIVIDUAL OR ENTITY OTHER THAN A MANUFACTURER THAT IS REGULARLY ENGAGED IN THE SELLING OF A PRODUCT WHETHER THE SALE IS FOR RESALE BY THE PURCHASER OR IS FOR SALE TO OR CONSUMPTION BY THE ULTIMATE CONSUMER.

(B) IF A CAUSE OF ACTION AGAINST A MANUFACTURER OR SELLER OF A PRODUCT FOR PERSONAL INJURY ALLEGEDLY CAUSED BY A DEFECTIVE PRODUCT AROSE IN A FOREIGN JURISDICTION AND BY THE LAWS OF THAT JURISDICTION THE CAUSE OF ACTION MAY NOT BE MAINTAINED BY REASON OF A LAPSE OF TIME, AN ACTION MAY NOT BE MAINTAINED IN THIS STATE, EXCEPT IN FAVOR OF ONE WHO IS A RESIDENT OF THIS STATE.

(C) THIS SECTION MAY NOT BE APPLIED TO A CAUSE OF ACTION:

(1) THAT WAS PRECLUDED, FOR ANY PERIOD OF TIME, FROM BEING FILED BEFORE JULY 1, 1991 BY OPERATION OF LAW OR A COURT ORDER; OR

(2) FOR WRONGFUL DEATH DESCRIBED UNDER TITLE 3, SUBTITLE 9 OF THIS ARTICLE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect on or application to any case filed before the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1991.

May 24, 1991

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, Maryland 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 554.

This bill would alter the definition of the term "police officer" as it applies to provisions of law relating to vehicle size, weight, and load inspections so as to include employees of local government.

House Bill 740, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 14,