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## Maryland House Speaker Back Home After Heart Surgery

House Speaker **Casper R. Taylor Jr.** returned home yesterday after being released from Washington Hospital Center where he underwent quadruple bypass surgery last week. "He's resting and doing well," his wife, Polly, said in a telephone interview from their Cumberland home. "I can see that he's ready to jump back in, but it will take some time getting his strength back." Gov. **Parris Glendening** called the 60-year-old Democrat at his Allegany County home yesterday afternoon. Former Gov. **William Donald Schaefer** visited Taylor at the hospital on Monday. Doctors expect that Taylor will be walking three miles a day within three to four weeks, his wife said. "We feel that the surgery was most successful. He's going to be on a hard exercise program. Smoking has ended," she said. Taylor, who has had to cancel some speaking engagements, is hoping to travel to Baltimore at the end of May to receive an award, she said. His first big outing is to be a June 14 fund-raiser in Baltimore County. Taylor, who has been a member of House of Delegates since 1975 and speaker since 1994, was hospitalized April 18 after suffering chest pains.