

the Charles County Board of Education to acquire certain sites for school purposes in that county and to generally relate to school sites in Charles County.

The President put the question: Shall the bill pass notwithstanding the objections of the Executive?

The President announced the veto was sustained by roll call as follows:

	Affirmative	
Mr. Bauman.		Total—1
	Negative	
Messrs.—		
President, Mrs. Abrams, Bailey, Bertorelli, Bishop, Blount, Boyer, Bozick, Byrnes, Clark, Conroy, Coolahan, Curran, Dalton, Emanuel, Finney, Goodman, Hall, Hodges, Hoyer, Lapides, Lipin, Malkus, McGuirk, Mrs. Nock, Pascal, Pine, Mrs. Schweinhaut, Smelser, Snyder, Staszak, Staten, Steinberg, Stone, Thomas, Wilson. Total—36		

EXECUTIVE DEPARTMENT

June 1, 1973.

Honorable William S. James
President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17, of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 1109.

This bill as originally introduced established new requirements for the payment of, and deduction from, employee wages. As enacted, however, the bill permits an employer to deduct from the wages of an employee, upon the termination of employment, any amount owed by the employee to the employer. The bill, moreover, authorizes this deduction to be made without the written authorization of the employee.

I have been informed by the Department of Licensing and Regulation, at whose request this bill was introduced, that the bill, as amended, would be exceedingly difficult to administer. The Department has also informed me that they believe that the provision permitting an employer to make unauthorized deductions from an employee's wages is inconsistent with the basic principles of the Wage Payment Collection Law. Because of the principle involved and the administrative burden which this bill would place on the Department of Licensing and Regulation, the Department has requested that the bill be vetoed.

Consequently, I have decided to veto Senate Bill 1109.

Sincerely,

MARVIN MANDEL,
Governor.

Which was read.