SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1986.

May 27, 1986

The Honorable Benjamin L. Cardin Speaker of the House of Delegates State House Annapolis, Maryland 21404

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 1614.

This bill prohibits the hunting, possession, selling, or exporting of black bears. Exception is made for killing black bears in self defense or defense of property.

Senate Bill 776, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 27, 1986, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 1614.

Sincerely, Harry Hughes Governor

House Bill No. 1614

AN ACT concerning

Black Bears

FOR the purpose of providing certain penalties for a person who violates certain regulations of the Secretary of Natural Resources concerning the hunting, possessing, selling, purchasing, shipping, carrying, transporting, or exporting of black bears; exempting individuals from the penalties of this Act under certain circumstances; and making a stylistic correction.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Natural Resources Section 10-101(e), 10-205(a) and (c), and 10-405(b) Annotated Code of Maryland (1983 Replacement Volume and 1985 Supplement)

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