Maryland or by any Public General or Public Local Laws of the State of Maryland; and in particular, without limitation upon the foregoing, shall have power by ordinance, or such other method as may be provided for in its Charter, subject to the provisions of said Constitution and Public General Laws:

- (40) (e) (1) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, for any fiscal year beginning before July 1, \{2002\}\\ \frac{2007}{2007}\), the rate of any hotel room tax imposed by the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore may not exceed 7.5%.
- (2) For each fiscal year beginning on or after July 1, 1997 but before July 1, [2002,] 2007, the Mayor and City Council shall appropriate from its general fund specifically for convention center marketing and tourism promotion an amount equal to at least 40% of the proceeds of any hotel room tax imposed.
- (3) If the appropriation made for any fiscal year pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection is less than the amount required when compared to actual receipts for the completed fiscal year, the difference shall be added to the appropriation to be made for the second succeeding fiscal year. If the appropriation made for any fiscal year pursuant to paragraph (2) of this subsection is more than the amount required when compared to actual receipts for the completed fiscal year, the difference may be deleted from the appropriation to be made for the second succeeding fiscal year.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2001.

May 17, 2001

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 331 - Cecil County - County Treasurer - Salary.

This bill increases the annual salary of the Treasurer of Cecil County from \$48,000 to \$60,000 beginning with the next term of office.

Senate Bill 111, 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 331.

Sincerely, Parris N. Glendening Governor