

(4) IN THE EVENT ANY PROVISION OF THIS COMPACT EXCEEDS THE CONSTITUTIONAL LIMITS IMPOSED ON THE LEGISLATURE OF ANY COMPACTING STATE, THE OBLIGATIONS, DUTIES, POWERS, OR JURISDICTION SOUGHT TO BE CONFERRED BY SUCH PROVISION UPON THE INTERSTATE COMMISSION SHALL BE INEFFECTIVE AND SUCH OBLIGATIONS, DUTIES, POWERS, OR JURISDICTION SHALL REMAIN IN THE COMPACTING STATE AND SHALL BE EXERCISED BY THE AGENCY THEREOF TO WHICH SUCH OBLIGATIONS, DUTIES, POWERS, OR JURISDICTION ARE DELEGATED BY LAW IN EFFECT AT THE TIME THIS COMPACT BECOMES EFFECTIVE.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act may not take effect until the later of July 1, 2002 or upon enactment of a similar Act by no less than 35 of the states; that no less than 35 states are requested to concur in this Act of the General Assembly of Maryland by the passage of a similar Act; that the Department of Legislative Services shall notify the appropriate officials of the passage of this Act; and that upon concurrence in this Act by no less than 35 states and approval by the United States Congress, the Governor of the State of Maryland shall issue a proclamation declaring this Act valid and effective and shall forward a copy of the proclamation to the Director of the Department of Legislative Services.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to Section 3 of this Act, this Act shall take effect July 1, 2002.

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 627 – Municipal Corporations – Charter Amendment Resolutions – Effectiveness:

This bill repeals provisions that require municipal charter amendment resolutions, municipal annexation resolutions and other documents related to municipal charters to be registered with the Department of Legislative Services before becoming effective. The bill also establishes new procedures for submittal of these documents to the Department.

Senate Bill 690, 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 627.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor