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BILLS PASSED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF 1941 AND VETOED BY GOVERNOR O'CONNOR AND HIS REASONS IN EACH CASE FOR THE SAME.

THE TOTAL NUMBER OF BILLS VETOED IS 83.

All of these bills were vetoed by the Governor after the adjournment of the Legislature, either having been presented to him after the adjournment of the Legislature or not in sufficient time to require executive action before adjournment.

ABERDEEN.

Chapter 550 (Senate Bill 442). The Attorney General in his opinion to me after examination of this bill writes me as follows:

“Chapter 550, Senate Bill 442, of the Acts of 1941, provides a new charter for the Town of Aberdeen in Harford County, and in examining this Bill, we noticed that it contains no provision for the registration of the voters in the Town, and the provisions of Section 14 of the Act also contravene the State-wide law which prohibits towns and cities from passing ordinances that are duplications of or inconsistent with the State Motor Vehicle Law.”

The opinion stated further:

“* * * the approval of this bill might place the Town in a situation where it could not have any election of town officers until after the next Legislature meets and makes provision for the registering of voters.”

Upon having these points brought to his attention, the Senator from Harford County who sponsored the bill, has communicated with me recommending its veto which action I am now taking.