

April 17, 1957.

Hon. Louis L. Goldstein  
 President of the Senate  
 State House  
 Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. President:

Senate Bill 518, which relates to clam dredging, substantially duplicates House Bill 831, except for very desirable regulatory provisions.

I have, therefore, signed House Bill 831, and am herewith vetoing Senate Bill 518 as an unnecessary duplication.

Respectfully,

(s) THEODORE R. MCKELDIN,

Governor.

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**Senate Bill No. 528—Menhaden in the Atlantic Ocean**

AN ACT to add new Section 259(d) to Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Natural Resources", subtitle "Part 2. Tidal Waters", said new section to follow immediately after Section 259 (c) thereof; ~~providing that it shall be legal to take or catch menhaden in the Chesapeake Bay or the Atlantic Ocean by use of buck net or purse net.~~ TO REPEAL AND RE-ENACT, WITH AMENDMENTS, SECTION 258 OF SAID ARTICLE AND SUB-TITLE, PROVIDING THAT NOTHING IN SAID SECTIONS 258 AND 259 SHALL BE CONSTRUED TO PROHIBIT THE USE OF PURSE NETS TO TAKE OR CATCH MENHADEN IN THE ATLANTIC OCEAN EXCEPT WITHIN THREE MILES OF THE BEACH, ADJACENT TO THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF OCEAN CITY, MARYLAND.

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Dear Mr. President:

Senate Bill 528 by its title purports to authorize purse net catching of menhaden in the Atlantic Ocean, while the body of the Bill also includes a large part of the Chesapeake Bay. The Attorney General under date of April 16, 1957, in holding the measure unconstitutional, advised as follows:

According to its title, Senate Bill No. 528 adds a new Section 259 (d) to Article 66C of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Ed.), and further repeals and re-enacts with amendments Section 258 of said Article 66C. The title further states that such addition and