

vehicles. Vehicles more than 96 inches in width, or carrying objects in excess of that width, present a hazard to the traveling public which should continue to be controlled by the State Roads Commission through its restrictive permits.

All Maryland road designs contemplate vehicles with a maximum width of 96 inches. Unless this width remains constant, our roads might well be outmoded before they have even served their normal expectancy.

In view of the foregoing, I have vetoed House Bill 641.

Respectfully,

(s) THEODORE R. MCKELDIN,

Governor.

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House Bill No. 663—Motor Vehicles Hauling Logs

AN ACT to repeal and re-enact, with amendments, Section 277 of Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1956 Supplement), title "Motor Vehicles", sub-title "Operation of Vehicles Upon the Highways", relating to the length of motor vehicles upon the highways.

April 15, 1957.

Hon. John C. Luber
Speaker of the House of Delegates
State House
Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. Speaker:

House Bill 663 exempts vehicles hauling logs from the 55 foot length limitation of Section 277 of the Motor Vehicle Code.

The State Roads Commission advises that the hauling of logs without any limitation of length and without the controls of a permit issued by the Commission, presents a very definite safety hazard to other motorists, particularly after dark. The few existing exemptions, which were a part of the original law, should, in my opinion, not be extended, and no sound reason has been presented for so doing.

I have, therefore, vetoed House Bill 663.

Respectfully,

(s) THEODORE R. MCKELDIN,

Governor.

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House Bill No. 721—Taxicabs in Baltimore City and Baltimore County

AN ACT to REPEAL AND RE-ENACT, WITH AMENDMENTS, SUB-SECTION 38 (A) AND TO add new Sub-section 38 (a-1) to Article 78 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1956 Supplement),