May 24, 1995

The Honorable Casper R. Taylor, Jr. Speaker of the House of Delegates 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 728.

This bill requires the Department of Transportation to provide annual grants equal to 100 percent of the cost of providing paratransit services as determined by the Department or the Federal Transit Administration in compliance with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act. The bill allows a nonprofit organization which operates transportation for elderly, handicapped or low-income individuals to apply for a motor vehicle fuel tax refund.

Senate Bill 489, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 9, 1995, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 728.

Sincerely, Parris N. Glendening Governor

## House Bill No. 728

AN ACT concerning

## Transportation Funding - Grants for Local Paratransit Service and Motor Fuel Tax Refunds for Nonprofit Transportation Services - Fiscal Assistance

FOR the purpose of requiring the Department of Transportation to provide annual grants grants for a certain fiscal year to local jurisdictions for paratransit service that complements complements fixed route service in compliance with the federal Americans with Disabilities Act; requiring the amount of the grants to be determined in accordance with certain paratransit plans and to fully cover the cost of providing paratransit services in compliance with the federal Act;; limiting the total amount of the grants that may be provided statewide; altering and making applicable statewide a provision making refundable certain motor fuel tax paid on certain motor fuel used by certain nonprofit organizations that operate a system of transportation for elderly, handicapped, or low income individuals; providing for the termination of part of this Act; and generally relating to grants for a certain fiscal year for local paratransit services and a refund of motor fuel tax paid on certain motor fuel used by certain nonprofit organizations for certain purposes certain fiscal assistance for certain transportation services.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Article – Transportation