

President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 117 – Public Service Commission – Hazardous Liquid Pipelines.

The bill authorizes the Public Service Commission to act on behalf of the U.S. Department of Transportation to implement the federal Hazardous Liquid Pipeline Act with respect to intrastate pipelines in Maryland that carry hazardous liquids.

House Bill 1422, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 117.

Sincerely,
Parris N. Glendening
Governor

Senate Bill No. 117

AN ACT concerning

Public Service Commission – Hazardous Liquid Pipelines

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Public Service Commission to act for the United States Secretary of Transportation to implement certain federal laws relating to hazardous liquid pipeline safety for intrastate transportation of hazardous liquids by pipeline to the extent authorized by the United States Secretary of Transportation; requiring the Commission to make certain reports to the United States Secretary of Transportation and take certain actions in certain circumstances; establishing certain powers for the Commission necessary to implement a certain regulatory program for the intrastate transportation of hazardous liquids by pipeline; authorizing the imposition of a certain inspection fee for certain pipelines; authorizing the Commission to seek certain injunctive relief under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commission to impose a certain civil penalty on persons who violate this Act; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the authority of the Public Service Commission concerning certain hazardous liquid pipelines.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Public Utility Companies
Section 11–101
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1998 Volume and 2000 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article – Public Utility Companies