

of such prisoners into the temporary custody of a party State or of the United States, to provide penalties for escape or attempt to escape from such temporary custody, and relating generally to the disposition of detainees based on untried indictments, informations or complaints of party states against prisoners incarcerated in Maryland correctional institutions or facilities.

April 7, 1964.

Honorable William S. James  
President of the Senate  
State House  
Annapolis, Maryland

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I am returning to you herewith Senate Bill No. 5 which has been reluctantly vetoed by me today.

The bill adds a new subtitle to Article 27, title "Crimes and Punishments," of the Annotated Code of Maryland and bears the heading "Interstate Agreement on Detainers". The Attorney General has advised me in his letter of March 31, 1964, a copy of which is attached, that he has reluctantly concluded that the bill is unconstitutional and should not be approved.

Although I agree with the Attorney General that the purposes of the bill are most necessary and salutary, in view of his opinion that the bill is unconstitutional I have felt compelled to veto the same. I do join, however, in his recommendation that the General Assembly give serious consideration to the enactment of a bill in proper form providing for Interstate Agreement on Detainers.

With kindest personal regards, I am

Sincerely yours,

(s) J. MILLARD TAWES,  
Governor.

March 31, 1964.

The Honorable J. Millard Tawes  
Governor of Maryland  
State House  
Annapolis, Maryland 21400

Re: Senate Bill 5

Dear Governor Tawes:

As requested I have examined Senate Bill 5 which was introduced at the regular session of the Legislature by the Legislative Council and passed by both houses of the General Assembly. After much consideration, we have reluctantly concluded that this Bill is unconstitutional and should not be approved.

Senate Bill 5, which adds a new subtitle to Article 27, Title "Crimes and Punishments," of the Annotated Code of Maryland,