

May 17, 2007

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.

President of the Senate
State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 723 - *Certified Social Workers-Clinical - Practice - Definition*.

This bill expands the scope of practice for an individual licensed as a certified social worker-clinical to include the evaluation, diagnosis, and treatment of mental and emotional conditions and impairments, in addition to psychosocial conditions and mental disorders.

House Bill 358, 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 723.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley
Governor