

May 19, 2009

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, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 380 – *Health Maintenance Organizations – Payments to Nonparticipating Providers*.

This bill requires health maintenance organizations to pay specified health care providers for specified evaluation and management services no less than a specified rate and requires a health maintenance organization to calculate a specified average rate in a specified manner.

House Bill 255, 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 380.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley  
Governor