

May 22, 2012

The Honorable Michael E. Busch  
Speaker of the House  
H-101 State House  
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed House Bill 97 – *Baltimore City – Hotel Room Tax – Convention Center Promotion*.

This bill extends through fiscal year 2017 the requirement that 40% of the proceeds from a hotel room tax imposed by Baltimore City be appropriated for Convention Center marketing and tourism promotion.

Senate Bill 243, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 97.

Sincerely,

Governor