May 16, 2013

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 83 – *Judgeships* – *Court of Special Appeals, Circuit Courts, and District Court*.

This bill increases the number of judges of the Court of Special Appeals from 13 to 15, increases the number of resident judges of the circuit court in Calvert, Carroll, Cecil, Frederick, and Wicomico counties and increases the number of associate judges of the District Court in Baltimore City, and Charles, Montgomery, and Prince George's counties.

Senate Bill 239, 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 83.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley