

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 206 – *Health Occupations – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation*.

This bill continues the State Acupuncture Board, the State Board of Dietetic Practice, and the State Board of Occupational Therapy Practice in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2025 the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the boards.

Senate Bill 237, 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 206.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley