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 889 – *Vehicles Laws – Emergency Vehicles – Motorcades and Escorts*.

This bill authorizes the driver of specified emergency vehicles to exercise specified privileges while performing motorcade or escort duties. This bill also authorizes specified emergency vehicles to travel through any jurisdiction in the State as necessary to perform and return from motorcade or escort duty and requires a jurisdiction that employs a driver who travels through another jurisdiction while performing or returning from motorcade or escort duty to provide specified notice to the other jurisdiction.

Senate Bill 621, 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 889.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley