

May 16, 2013

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.
President of the Senate
H-107 State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 258 – *Correctional Services – Inmate Earnings – Compensation for Victims of Crime*.

This bill requires the Department of Public Safety and Correctional Services to withhold 20% of the earnings of an inmate in the Private Sector/Prison Industry Enhancement Certification Program of the U.S. Department of Justice, Bureau of Justice Assistance for compensation for victims of crime and requires the Department to allocate earnings that are withheld in a specified manner.

House Bill 921, 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 258.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley