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 463 – State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors – Apprentice Sponsors, Funeral Establishment Licenses, and Supervising Morticians.

This bill clarifies the requirements for specified apprentice sponsors and a specified process for seeking approval by the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors for an apprentice license and requires specified evidence and death certificates to be submitted to the Board as proof of the completion of specified apprentice requirements.

House Bill 529, 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 463.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley