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 593 – *Health Occupations Boards* – *License Renewal, Investigation of Alleged Violations, and Immunity from Liability.* 

This bill authorizes specified health occupations boards within the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish an electronic system to distribute specified licenses, permits, certifications, or registrations. This bill requires specified boards to discontinue sending by first—class mail specified renewal notices and a renewed license, permit, certificate, or registration. The bill also requires specified boards to continue to send by first—class mail specified renewal notices, licenses, permits, certifications, or registrations.

House Bill 1115, 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 593.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley