May 15, 2014

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 254 – State Board of Individual Tax Preparers – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation.

The bill continues the State Board of Individual Tax Preparers in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending the Board's termination date by 10 years, to July 1, 2026, and requiring an evaluation of the Board by December 15, 2023.

Senate Bill 297, 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 254.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley