

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 304 – *State Acupuncture Board and State Board of Dietetic Practice – Action and Penalties for Violations of Practice Acts and Supervisory Authority of Acupuncturists*.

The bill authorizes the State Acupuncture Board to impose a penalty if the Board finds there are grounds to take disciplinary action against a specified licensee; authorizes the State Acupuncture Board and the State Board of Dietetic Practice to issue cease and desist orders or obtain injunctive relief for violations of specified provisions of law; and authorizes a specified acupuncturist to provide supervision to an individual performing auricular detoxification if the individual is licensed to practice clinical professional counseling.

Senate Bill 379, 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 304.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley