

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 710 – *Labor and Employment – Nursing Homes and Health Care Facilities – Workplace Safety Assessment and Safety Program*.

The bill requires specified nursing homes to assign to an appropriate committee the task of conducting an annual assessment of workplace safety issues and making recommendations; requires the committee to consult specified employees of the nursing home; requires a specified health care facility to establish a workplace safety committee; and requires a workplace safety committee to establish a workplace safety program including specified components.

Senate Bill 483, 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 710.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley