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 1385 – Washington County Gaming Commission – Membership – Conflict of Interest.

The bill repeals provisions of law prohibiting a member of the Washington County Gaming Commission from serving on the gaming commission if the member serves on the board of directors or as an officer of an organization that applies for funds from the gaming commission, and requires the gaming commission to adopt conflict of interest regulations applicable to members of the gaming commission.

Senate Bill 465, 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 1385.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley