

May 15, 2014

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 223 – *Crimes – Threat of Mass Violence*.

The bill prohibits a person from threatening to commit, or threatening to cause to be committed, a crime of violence that would place five or more people at substantial risk of death or serious physical injury if there is a specified result of the threat.

House Bill 697, 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 223.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley