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 254 – Public Safety – Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Funds – Distribution.

This bill alters the distribution of, and permissible uses of, funds from the Senator William H. Amoss Fire, Rescue, and Ambulance Fund (Amoss Fund). Maintenance of Effort (MOE) provisions are altered and certain waivers from MOE provisions, including a rebasing waiver, are established.

House Bill 365, 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 254.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley