May 12, 2015

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 129 – Procurement – Veteran–Owned Small Business Enterprise Participation – Award of Contracts.

This bill requires a unit awarding a contract with a specified goal of veteran—owned small business participation to comply with specified requirements depending on the type of procurement being conducted.

Senate Bill 30, 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 129.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.