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 339 – Vehicle Laws – Race–Based Traffic Stops – Policy and Reporting Requirements.

This bill requires that specified law enforcement officers record specified information pertaining to traffic stops; requires specified law enforcement agencies to report specified information to the Maryland Statistical Analysis Center; requires the Police Training Commission to develop a specified format and guidelines and a standardized format for the reporting of specified data; requires the Police Training Commission to develop a specified model policy; and provides for the termination of the Act.

Senate Bill 413, 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 339.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.