

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 526 – *Alcoholic Beverages – Brewing Company Off-Site Permit and Nonprofit Beer Festival Permit*.

This bill requires specified licensing boards to collect a \$100 fee for a nonprofit beer festival permit; authorizes the Comptroller to issue a brewing company off-site permit to specified persons who meet specified requirements; establishes that specified holders of a brewing company off-site permit may use the permit for specified activities during specified events; and authorizes a nonprofit beer festival permit holder to purchase beer at wholesale to provide and sell beer for specified purposes under specified circumstances.

Senate Bill 673, 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 526.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.