

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 529 – *Criminal Law – Identity Fraud – Name of the Individual*.

This bill repeals, for purposes of a provision of law prohibiting a person from knowingly, willfully, and with fraudulent intent, possessing, obtaining or helping another to possess or obtain personal identifying information for specified purposes; and limits that a specified benefit, credit, good, service, thing of value, health information or health care be obtained or accessed in the name of an individual.

Senate Bill 549, 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 529.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.