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 623 – Estates – Modified Administration – Final Report and Distribution – Extension.

This bill authorizes, under specified circumstances, a register of wills to extend the time periods for filing a final report and for making distribution of an estate in a modified administration of the estate for an additional specified period on the filing of a specified request; requires a request for the extension to be signed by the personal representative and consented to by each interested person; requires the request to be delivered to the register of wills no later than a specified date; and applies the Act prospectively.

Senate Bill 418, 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 623.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.