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 642 – *Children – Child Care Facilities, Public Schools, and Nonpublic Schools – Contractors and Subcontractors.* 

This bill prohibits specified county boards of education and specified nonpublic schools from hiring or retaining specified individuals who have been convicted of specified crimes; and requires specified contracts to provide that specified contractors and subcontractors for specified nonpublic schools and specified local school systems may not knowingly assign employees to work on school premises with direct, unsupervised, and uncontrolled access to children if the employee has been convicted of a specified crime.

Senate Bill 508, 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 642.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.