

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 658 – *Public Health – Emergency and Allergy Treatment Program*.

This bill alters the name of the Insect Sting Emergency Treatment Program to be the Emergency and Allergy Treatment Program; establishes the program as a means of authorizing specified individuals to administer life-saving treatment to individuals who have severe adverse reactions to allergens or insect stings when physician or emergency medical services are not immediately available in a youth camp; and authorizes specified certificate holders and agents to administer auto-injectable epinephrine to an individual under specified circumstances.

Senate Bill 344, 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 658.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.