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 739 – *Task Force to Study Maternal Mental Health*.

This bill establishes the Task Force to Study Maternal Mental Health; provides for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Task Force; requires the Task Force to study and make recommendations regarding specified matters; requires the Task Force to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 15, 2016; and terminates the Act after December 31, 2016.

Senate Bill 74, 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 739.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.