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 794 – *Washington County – Liquor Tasting License*.

This bill authorizes a special liquor tasting license to be issued in Washington County; authorizes the license to be issued only to a holder of Class A (off–sale) beer, wine and liquor license; establishes the annual license fee of \$300 for 12 tastings and \$500 for 24 tastings; authorizes the Board of License Commissioners for Washington County to issue the license for specified purposes; and prohibits the holder of the license from charging for the liquor tasting or sampling.

Senate Bill 634, 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 794.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.