May 12, 2015

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. President of the Senate H–107 State House Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 439 – *Baltimore City* – *Tax Sales*.

This bill requires the tax collector in Baltimore City to withhold specified owner—occupied residential property from a tax sale when the taxes on the property are under \$750. This bill also exempts a person redeeming specified owner—occupied residential property in Baltimore City from the requirement that the person pay the tax collector any taxes, interest, and penalties accruing after the date of the tax sale.

House Bill 1035, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 439.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.