

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 467 – *Department of Health and Mental Hygiene – Newborn Screening Program Fund – Establishment*.

This bill establishes the Newborn Screening Program Fund; requires the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to administer the Fund; requires the Secretary to pay specified fees to the Comptroller; requires the Comptroller to distribute the specified fees to the Newborn Screening Program Fund; requires interest earnings of the Fund to be credited to the Fund; and exempts the Fund from a specified provision of law requiring interest on State money in special funds to accrue to the General Fund of the State.

House Bill 5, 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 467.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.