

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 521 – *Workgroup to Study Safe Harbor Policy for Youth Victims of Human Trafficking*.

This bill establishes the Workgroup to Study Safe Harbor Policy for Youth Victims of Human Trafficking; specifies the purpose of the Workgroup; provides for the composition, chair, and staffing of the Workgroup; prohibits a member of the Workgroup from receiving specified compensation, but authorizes the reimbursement of specified expenses; establishes the duties of the Workgroup; and requires the Workgroup to report its findings and recommendations to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before December 1, 2015.

House Bill 456, 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 521.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.