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 523 – Worcester County – Alcoholic Beverages – Limited Distillery License.

This bill establishes a Class 9 limited distillery license in Worcester County; sets a license fee of \$500; provides that the State Comptroller issue the Class 9 license only to a holder of a Class D beer, wine and liquor license in the County for use on the premises for which the Class D license was issued; and authorizes a holder of a Class 9 license to establish and operate a plant for distilling, rectifying, and bottling brandy, rum, whiskey, alcohol, and neutral spirits under specified circumstances.

House Bill 689, 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 523.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.