

May 27, 2016

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, I have vetoed House Bill 867 – *Washington County – Contributions to Nonprofit Organizations – Process*.

This bill alters the process by which the County Commissioners of Washington County make contributions to specified nonprofit organizations in Washington County, alters the deadline for submission of applications for contributions, requires the County Commissioners to hold a public hearing on the applications and authorizes the County Commissioners to remove specified organizations from a specified list and on request by the organization, to revise or amend the name of an organization.

Senate Bill 517, 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 867.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.