

May 27, 2016

The Honorable Thomas V. Miller, Jr.
Senate President
H-107 State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have vetoed Senate Bill 533 – *Education – Assessments – Administration and Provision of Information*.

This bill extends to the 2018–2019 school year the period of time by which the State Department of Education is required to develop a specified assessment in the State’s adopted curricula for a core content area. The bill also requires each county board of education to provide information relating to each assessment administered in a local school system that includes the title, purpose, grade level or subject area tested, testing window, and accommodations for students with special needs, and requires this information to be updated annually.

House Bill 412, 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 533.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.