

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 884 – *Frederick County – Property Tax – Small Business Tax Credit*.

This bill alters specified requirements for an existing business entity in Frederick County to qualify for a specified property tax credit imposed on real property owned or leased by the business entity and alters the definition of “full-time position” to increase the number of hours and period of time individuals must be employed. The bill also requires a payment of at least 150% of the federal minimum wage and alters the percentage of the property tax credit authorized in specified taxable years.

House Bill 320, 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 884.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.