

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 909 – *Service, Stipends, and Scholarships – Maryland Corps Program – Established*.

This bill establishes the Maryland Corps Program, provides for stipends of up to \$15,000 for corps participants and one-time scholarships of up to \$6,000 for corps participants who complete the Program, and requires the Board of Directors to issue a Request for Proposals for an operator for the Program on or before June 1, 2017, that includes specified elements and expectations. The bill also provides that funds for the Program will be as provided in the State budget in specified fiscal years for specified purposes.

House Bill 1488, 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 909.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.