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 1125 – *Education – Public School Opportunities Enhancement Act.* 

This bill establishes the Public School Opportunities Enhancement Program, provides that the purpose of the Program is to provide grants to local school systems, community schools, and nonprofit organizations in the State to assist in expanding or creating extended day and summer enhancement programs and to expand and support educational programs during the school day for specified organizations. The bill also requires the Governor, for fiscal years 2018 through 2021, to include \$7,500,000 annually in the State budget for the program.

House Bill 1402, which was passed by the General Assembly and went into effect without my signature, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 1125.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.