May 26, 2017

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 383 – Public Information Act – Denials of Inspection – Explanation Regarding Redaction.

This bill requires, under certain circumstances, a custodian of a public record to include in a written statement an explanation of why redacting information would not address the reasons for denying inspection of a public record under the Maryland Public Information Act.

Senate Bill 1057, 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 383.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr. Governor