

May 26, 2017

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.  
President of the Senate  
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 968 – *Health Insurance – Coverage Requirements for Behavioral Health Disorders – Modifications*.

This bill alters certain coverage requirements applicable to specific health benefit plans for the diagnosis and treatment of mental illness and emotional, drug use, and alcohol use disorders.

House Bill 1127, 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 968.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.  
Governor