May 24, 2019

The Honorable Adrienne A. Jones Speaker of the House H–101 State House Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Madam Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have vetoed House Bill 266 – State Retirement and Pension System – Designated Beneficiary Change – Rescission.

This bill allows certain retirees of the State Retirement and Pension System to rescind a request to change their designated beneficiary before a certain monthly allowance is paid. This bill also provides that if a retiree rescinds the change of beneficiary, the benefit payment amount for the next payment is restored to the amount paid before the change in beneficiary; and that no retroactive adjustment will be made.

Senate Bill 186, 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 266.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr. Governor