May 24, 2019

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 41 – Office of Legislative Audits – Audits of the Baltimore Police Department.

This bill requires 1) the Office of Legislative Audits to conduct an audit of the Baltimore Police Department to evaluate the effectiveness and efficiency of its financial management practices; 2) the initial audit to be conducted by a certain date, and then at least once every six years thereafter; and 3) the Office of Legislative Audits to provide information regarding the audit process to the Baltimore Police Department before the audit is conducted.

House Bill 516, 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 41.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr. Governor