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 179 – *Optional Retirement Program – Regulations*.

This bill requires the Board of Trustees of the State Retirement and Pension System to adopt and maintain a written plan document for the Optional Retirement Program; and authorizes the State Retirement and Pension System to adopt regulations to implement its Optional Retirement Program responsibilities.

House Bill 267, 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 179.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr. Governor