May 26, 2006

The Honorable Michael E. Busch Speaker of the House State House Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed House Bill 34 - *State Employees - Military Administrative Leave - Repeal of Sunset.*

This bill repeals the termination date for the use of military administrative leave or specified paid leave for specified State employees who are on active military duty on July 1, 2003, or are activated for military duty on or after July 1, 2003.

Senate Bill 34, 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 34.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. Governor