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 159 - *City of Frostburg Employees - Participation in the Employees' Pension System.*

This bill requires specified employees of the City of Frostburg to participate in the Employees' Pension System of the State of Maryland as of the date that the City of Frostburg begins participating in the Employees' Pension System; and provides for specified employees of the City of Frostburg to receive service credit for specified prior service.

Senate Bill 185, 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 159.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. Governor