

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 412 - *Task Force on Minority Participation in the Environmental Community*.

This bill establishes a Task Force on Minority Participation in the Environmental Community; and requires the Task Force to evaluate and make recommendations regarding methods of improving minority participation in the environmental community, methods of improving communication to minority communities, and methods of improving the flow of information and services into minority communities.

Senate Bill 350, which was passed by the General Assembly and allowed to go into effect without my signature, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 412.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor