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 831 – *Mortality and Quality Review Committee - Reportable Incidents of Injury*.

This bill renames the Mortality Review Committee to be the Mortality and Quality Review Committee; requires the Committee to review specified data and make specified findings and recommendations; requires the Office of Health Care Quality to provide specified data to the Committee; authorizes the Committee to consult with experts under specified circumstances; requires the Committee to prepare a specified report; and requires the Developmental Disabilities Administration to provide a specified report.

Senate Bill 734, 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 831.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. Governor