

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 1052 - *Tobacco Product Manufacturers - Master Settlement Agreement - Definitions – Modifications*.

This bill makes specified technical changes to specified definitions in a prior enactment of the General Assembly to conform the enactment to the model statute provided by the Master Settlement Agreement between the State of Maryland and specified tobacco manufacturers in the United States.

Senate Bill 797, 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 1052.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor