

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 1286 - *Health - General - Residential Treatment Centers - Required Notice*.

This bill requires residential treatment centers to attempt to notify residents and their representatives, family members, legal guardians, or custodians of a change in condition, an adverse event, and corrective action within 24 hours of an occurrence; and authorizes specified individuals to send a specified response to specified residential treatment centers.

Senate Bill 375, 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 1286.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.  
Governor