

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 1717 – *Department of Health and Mental Hygiene - On-Farm Home Processing Facility - License and Fee*.

This bill permits an on-farm food processing facility to obtain an on-farm home processing plant license for a specified fee.

Senate Bill 1049, 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 1717.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor