May 26, 2006

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. President of the Senate State House Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 40 – *Talbot County - Dog and Kennel Licenses and Dog Tags*.

This bill excludes Talbot County from provisions of law relating to dog licenses and kennel licenses; providing that the fees, terms, and form of dog and kennel licenses in Talbot County be determined by the County Council of Talbot County; provides that the requirement for a dog tag in Talbot County may be satisfied by either a metal tag or a surgically implanted microchip; and excludes Talbot County from a provision of law specifying requirements for dog tags.

House Bill 66, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 40.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. Governor