

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 249 – *High Schools - Automated External Defibrillators Program – Requirements*.

This bill requires each county board of education to develop and implement an automated external defibrillator program that meets requirements in high schools in the county; requires that a specified automated external defibrillator program include provisions relating to school-sponsored athletic events; and requires the State Department of Education, in consultation with specified entities, to adopt regulations.

House Bill 1200, 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 249.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.  
Governor