

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 255 - *Correctional Officers' Retirement System – Membership*.

This bill alters the membership of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System to include individuals serving as correctional dietary, maintenance, or supply officers; requires the transfer of employer contributions from the Employees' Retirement System and Employees' Pension System to the accumulation fund of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System; and requires the transfer of specified member contributions to the annuity savings fund of the Correctional Officers' Retirement System.

House Bill 676, 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 255.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor