

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 357 – *Community Colleges - State Funding - Size Factor Component*.

This bill alters the Senator John A. Cade Funding Formula for community colleges to allow colleges that are no longer eligible for funding under the size factor component to receive a specified percentage of funding for a specified number of fiscal years; and provides for the distribution of size factor component grants.

House Bill 533, 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 357.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.  
Governor