

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 377 - *Surplus Lines Insurance - Compliance with Filing Requirement - Electronic Transmission*.

This bill provides that reports, affidavits, and returns required to be filed with regard to surplus lines insurance are in compliance with the filing requirement if they are transmitted electronically on or before the filing date in a manner approved by the Insurance Commissioner.

House Bill 583, which was passed by the General Assembly and allowed to go into effect without my signature, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 377.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor