

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 385 - *Assisted Living Program Facilities - Emergency Electrical Power Generator*.

This bill requires the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to require facilities offering assisted living program services to have an emergency electrical power generator on the premises; provides for the power and system requirements of the emergency power generator; requires a facility to conduct a monthly test of the emergency power generator; requires an emergency power system to provide lighting to specified areas in a facility; and requires emergency electrical power to be provided to specified areas and equipment.

House Bill 204, 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 385.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor