

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 389 – *Sales and Use Tax - Production Activity - Taxable Laundering Services*.

This bill alters the definition of "production activity" under the sales and use tax to include laundering, maintaining, or preparing of textile products in providing the taxable service of commercial cleaning or laundering of textiles for a buyer who is engaged in a business that requires the recurring service of commercial cleaning or laundering of the textiles.

House Bill 1223, 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 389.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor