

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 449 - *State Board of Nursing - Nurses, Nursing Assistants, Medication Technicians, and Electrologists - Licensing and Regulation*.

This bill alters the powers and duties of the State Board of Nursing to include setting the standards for the practice of certified nursing assistants and certified medication technicians; authorizes the Rehabilitation Committee in the Board to provide for the rehabilitation of or provide assistance to medication technicians, electrologists, and applicants; and alters the requirements for sending renewal notices for specified licenses and certificates.

House Bill 1080, 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 449.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor