

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 556 – *State Budget - Funding for Circuit Court Law Clerks*.

This bill repeals a requirement that counties reimburse the Administrative Office of the Courts a specified percentage of the salary and other expenses relating to employing law clerks for circuit court judges.

House Bill 985, 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 556.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor