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 714 – *Education - Residential Boarding Education Programs - At-Risk Youth.*

This bill authorizes the establishment of residential boarding education programs to be operated under the supervision of the State Department of Education. It requires the program operator to conduct outreach programs; and requires the Board of Trustees to submit to the Department on or before July 1 each year information regarding the program, including the students who participate and budget information.

House Bill 1432, 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 714.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. Governor