

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 741 - *Education - Task Force to Study Raising the Compulsory Public School Attendance Age to 18*.

This bill establishes a Task Force to Study Raising the Compulsory Public School Attendance Age to 18; provides for the membership and staffing of the Task Force; specifies the purposes and goals of the Task Force; and requires the Task Force to report to the Governor and the General Assembly by December 1, 2007.

House Bill 36, 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 741.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor