May 17, 2007

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 143 - *Real Property - Electronic Recording Pilot Program*.

This bill authorizes the Administrative Office of the Courts to establish a pilot program for electronic recording or indexing of deeds and certain other instruments in land records, to be governed by Maryland Rule 16-307 and funded out of the Circuit Court Real Property Records Improvement Fund.

House Bill 331, 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 143.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley Governor