May 22, 2008

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, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 123 – Anne Arundel County – Department of Detention Facilities Employment Applicants – Polygraph Examinations.

This bill exempts from the prohibition against an employer requiring or demanding, as a condition of employment, that an individual submit to or take a lie detector or similar test, individuals who apply for employment with the Anne Arundel County Department of Detention Facilities, either as correctional officers or, in any other capacity that involves direct contact with an inmate in the Department.

House Bill 287, 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 123.

Sincerely,

Governor