May 19, 2009

The Honorable Michael E. Busch Speaker of the House State House Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed House Bill 59 – State Board of Well Drillers – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation.

House Bill 59 continues the State Board of Well Drillers in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2021, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board. The bill also requires that an evaluation of the Board be performed on or before July 1, 2020 and requires the Board to make a specified report on or before October 1, 2009.

Senate Bill 117, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 59.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley Governor