May 19, 2009

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 23 – Caroline County – Department of Corrections Employment Applicants – Lie Detector Tests.

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 Caroline County Department of Corrections either as a correctional officer or in any other capacity that involves direct personal contact with an inmate in the Department.

House Bill 548, 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 23.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley Governor