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 116 – State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation.

Senate Bill 116 continues the State Board of Veterinary Medical Examiners 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.

House Bill 62, 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 116.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley Governor