May 20, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.

President of the Senate H-107 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 338 – Estates and Trusts – Elective Share – Extension of Time for Making Election.

This bill authorizes a surviving spouse, within the period provided for making an election to take an elective share of the deceased spouse's estate and to file with the court a petition for an extension of time with a copy given to the personal representative. The bill repeals the limitation that the court may grant such an extension only before the expiration of the time in which to make the election.

House Bill 329, 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 338.

Sincerely,

Governor