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 615 – Garrett County – Volunteer Fire Departments and Rescue Squads – Emergency Services Board.

This bill establishes a Garrett County Emergency Services Board with specified purposes and duties. The bill makes changes regarding when county payments are made to volunteer fire departments and rescue squads. The requirements of volunteer fire departments and rescue squads that receive county funding are modified and the required uses of funds provided to those entities are expanded.

House Bill 733, 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 615.

Sincerely,

Governor