

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 22 – *Criminal Law – Prohibitions on Wearing, Carrying, or Transporting Firearms – Exceptions*.

This bill establishes an exception to the prohibition against wearing, carrying, or transporting a handgun or any other regulated firearm for a person who is carrying a specified court order if the handgun is unloaded, the person notifies a specified law enforcement unit that the person is transporting the handgun to the unit in accordance with the order, and the person transports the handgun or firearm directly to the unit.

House Bill 905, 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 22.

Sincerely,

Governor