

May 19, 2011

The Honorable Michael E. Busch
Speaker of the House
H-101 State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed House Bill 479 – *Frederick County – Winery Special Event Permits – Farmers’ Markets*.

This bill authorizes the issuance of not more than 12 additional winery special event permits to Class 4 wineries for use in farmers’ markets in Frederick County that are listed in the Farmers’ Markets Directory of the Maryland Department of Agriculture. This bill prohibits a holder of a permit from selling wine by the glass and requires that a specified individual who is certified by a specified alcohol awareness program be present during the hours when wine may be sold.

Senate Bill 821, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 479.

Sincerely,

Governor