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 1089 – Prince George's County – Public Ethics Requirements – Limitations on Contributions to Slates Containing the County Executive or a Member of the County Council and on Participation of County Council Members in Land Use Applications PG 411–11.

This bill prohibits payments to slates that include a member of the County Council for Prince George's County or the Prince George's County Executive during the pendency of specified land use applications. It also alters the restriction on participation in specified planning and zoning matters by a member of the County Council for Prince George's County who received a specified political contribution or who belonged to a slate that received a specified contribution within a specified time period.

Senate Bill 902, 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 1089.

Sincerely,

Governor