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 1311 – Motor Vehicle Insurers – Standards for Cancellation or Refusal of Insurance – Driving While Impaired by Alcohol.

This bill establishes that a conviction for driving while impaired by alcohol is among the standards that may be applied by an insurer for purposes of canceling or refusing to underwrite or renew a particular insurance risk or class of risk with respect to private passenger motor vehicle insurance.

Senate Bill 885, 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 1311.

Sincerely,

Governor