

May 19, 2011

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 826 – *Somerset County – Water and Sewer Service – Late Fees*.

This bill authorizes the sanitary district in Somerset County to charge a late fee for unpaid water and sewer usage charges and authorizes the Sanitary Commission in Somerset County to require the payment of specified late fees before reconnecting specified water service. This bill also provides that when a specified charge is in default it will accrue interest from the date of default at a rate determined by the sanitary commission.

House Bill 678, 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 826.

Sincerely,

Governor