May 22, 2012

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 395 – State Board of Nursing – Sunset Extension and Revisions.

This bill continues the State Board of Nursing by extending to July 1, 2023, the termination provisions relating to the statutory and regulatory authority of the Board; requires that an evaluation of the Board and the statutes and regulations that relate to the Board be performed on or before July 1, 2022; and requires the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene, in consultation with the Department of Budget and Management, to contract with an independent entity for a specified management and personnel study with costs paid from the Board of Nursing Fund.

Senate Bill 921, 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 395.

Sincerely,

Governor