May 16, 2013

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 209 – State Board of Public Accountancy – Sunset Extension and Program Evaluation.

This bill continues the State Board of Public Accountancy in accordance with the provisions of the Maryland Program Evaluation Act (sunset law) by extending to July 1, 2025, 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, 2024; and requires the Board to submit a specified report on or before October 1, 2013.

Senate Bill 238, 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 209.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley