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 470 – Somerset County – County Treasurer – Abolishment and Transfer of Functions to the County Supervisor of Tax Collection.

This bill abolishes the elected position of County Treasurer of Somerset County and transfers the duties and functions of the office of County Treasurer to the County Supervisor of Tax Collection, who shall work under the direction of the County Finance Director. The bill repeals provisions related to the appointment and salary of the deputy treasurer of Somerset County and provides that the Act does not affect the term of office of the incumbent County Treasurer.

Senate Bill 154, 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 470.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley