May 16, 2013

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 573 – County Property Tax – Personal Property Rate.

This bill authorizes the Mayor and City Council of Baltimore City or the governing body of each county to set the tax rate applicable to personal property and specified operating real property at no more than 2.5 times the rate for real property and applies the Act to taxable years beginning after June 30, 2013.

House Bill 1190, 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 573.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley