

May 15, 2014

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 686 – *Law Enforcement Officers' Bill of Rights – Disclosures – Punitive Action*.

This bill authorizes a law enforcement agency that is required by law to disclose information for use as impeachment or exculpatory evidence in a criminal case, to maintain a list of law enforcement officers who have been found or alleged to have committed acts which bear on credibility, integrity, honesty, or other characteristics that would constitute exculpatory or impeachment evidence.

House Bill 598, 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 686.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley