May 12, 2015

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 258 – *Maryland Commission on Climate Change*.

This bill establishes the Commission on Climate Change in the Department of the Environment to advise the Governor and General Assembly on ways to mitigate the causes of, prepare for, and adapt to the consequences of climate change; establishes the membership of the Commission; requires the Commission to establish specified working groups; and requires the Commission members and working group members to be appointed and the Commission to be convened on or before July 1, 2016.

House Bill 514, 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 258.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.