

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 652 – *Criminal Procedure – Expungement of Records*.

This bill repeals a provision of law that provides that a person is not entitled to expungement of the person's record if the petition for expungement is based on a specified case disposition other than a specified entry of probation before judgment within 3 years and the person, since the disposition, has been convicted of a crime other than a minor traffic violation or a specified crime; and provides that a person is not entitled to expungement of the person's record if the person is a defendant in a pending criminal proceeding.

House Bill 304, 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 652.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.