

May 27, 2016

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, I have vetoed House Bill 610 – *Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reduction Act – Reauthorization*.

This bill requires the State to reduce statewide greenhouse gas emissions by 40% from 2006 levels by 2030 and requires the Department of the Environment to submit specified plans to the Governor and the General Assembly on or before a specified date. The bill also requires the Maryland Commission on Climate Change to oversee a study of the economic impact of requiring specified reductions from the manufacturing sector.

Senate Bill 323, 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 610.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.