

May 27, 2016

The Honorable Thomas V. Miller, Jr.  
Senate President  
H-107 State House  
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have vetoed Senate Bill 1170 – *Next Generation Scholars of Maryland*.

This bill alters specified criteria for prequalification of a student for a Guaranteed Access Grant, alters the name of the College Readiness Outreach Program to be the Next Generation Scholars of Maryland Program, and provides the purpose of the Program is to give guidance and services to students and to assist students in completing college preparatory curricula, graduating from high school, matriculating at an institution of higher education, and making timely progress to complete a degree program.

House Bill 1403, which was passed by the General Assembly and went into effect without my signature, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign Senate Bill 1170.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.