

May 26, 2017

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, I have vetoed Senate Bill 1174 – *Public Health – Certificates of Birth – Births Outside an Institution*.

This bill requires an attending clinician, or designee of the attending clinician, to prepare a certificate of birth, secure certain signatures, and file the certificate within a certain time period after a birth occurs outside an institution, or en route to an institution.

House Bill 1632, 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 1174.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor