

May 24, 2019

The Honorable Adrienne A. Jones
Speaker of the House
H-101 State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Madam Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have vetoed House Bill 64 – *State Retirement and Pension System – Designation of Beneficiary*.

This bill authorizes a member of the State Retirement and Pension System to designate a beneficiary either by submitting a notarized written designation to the State Retirement Agency; or electronically through the State Retirement Agency's secure access portal. This bill also makes clarifying changes regarding the designation of beneficiaries by participants in the Deferred Retirement Option Program.

Senate Bill 120, 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 64.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor