May 27, 2022

The Honorable Adrienne A. Jones Speaker of the House of Delegates 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 1389 – Maryland Department of Health – Prevent Workplace Violence in Health Care Settings Public Awareness Campaign Workgroup.

This bill requires the Secretary of Health to establish a Prevent Workplace Violence in Health Care Settings Public Awareness Campaign Workgroup to develop a public awareness campaign on preventing workplace violence in health care settings; recognize and accommodate the needs of patients with mental health disorders and substance abuse disorders in the development of the campaign; and create a plan for implementing the public awareness campaign.

Senate Bill 700, which was passed by the General Assembly and enacted without my signature, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 1389.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr. Governor