

May 27, 2022

The Honorable Bill Ferguson  
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 548 – *Local Health Officers – Removal – Process*.

This bill repeals the provision that specifies that the health officer for a county serves at the pleasure of the governing body of that county and the Secretary of Health; and establishes requirements for the removal process.

House Bill 609, which was passed by the General Assembly and vetoed by me, accomplishes the same purpose.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.  
Governor