

May 15, 2014

The Honorable Michael E. Busch
Speaker of the House
H-101 State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed House Bill 1042 – *State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors – Funeral Establishments Owned by a Single Owner – Pre-Need Trustee Licenses and Public Notification of Death*.

The bill requires the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors to issue an executor license to an applicant if the applicant is the appointed personal representative of a deceased surviving spouse's estate under specified circumstances; requires an applicant for an executor license to submit to the Board within a specified time period the name of a licensed funeral director or mortician who has agreed to apply for a specified pre-need trustee license; and requires the Board to provide for the term of an executor license.

Senate Bill 648, 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 1042.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley