

May 12, 2015

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, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 243 – *State Personnel and Procurement – Service Contracts – Reporting and Audit Requirements*.

This bill requires that specified units meet with the exclusive representative of the employees who may be affected by the service contract to discuss specified alternatives to service contracts under specified circumstances; requires that specified service contracts be subject to a legislative audit to determine compliance with specified requirements; and requires that the findings of the specified legislative audit be made available to the public.

House Bill 158, 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 243.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.