

May 26, 2017

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, I have vetoed Senate Bill 516 – *State Government – Maryland Manual – Revisions (Maryland Manual Modernization Act)*.

This bill requires State Archives to compile, edit, and publish the Maryland Manual exclusively online, thus codifying existing practice. This bill also requires that State Archives shall update the Maryland Manual as necessary to maintain its accuracy, as well as to annually preserve an electronic version that contains all changes to the manual from the preceding year. In addition, this bill requires the State Archivist to provide outreach to public schools, public libraries, and the general public to increase awareness and availability of the manual.

House Bill 78, 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 516.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor