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 708 – Correctional Officers' Retirement System – Membership.

The bill alters the positions eligible for membership in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System to include security chief, facility administrator, assistant warden, and warden, authorizes specified individuals to cease membership in the Employees' Pension System and enroll in the Correctional Officers' Retirement System, and authorizes specified individuals to transfer service credit from the Employees' Pension System to the Correctional Officers' Retirement System.

Senate Bill 665, 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 708.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley