

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 1171 – *Harford County – Alcoholic Beverages – Waiver from School Distance Restrictions*.

This bill alters the circumstances under which the Board of License Commissioners for Harford County may issue a waiver from school distance restrictions for certain alcoholic beverages licenses, and requires that a public hearing must be held by the governing body of the municipality or county in which the restaurant is located. This bill also requires the governing body to make a recommendation, and that such recommendations and comments must be considered before a waiver may be issued.

House Bill 795, 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 1171.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor