

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 1161 – *Criminal Procedure – Electronic Device Location Information – Order*.

This bill authorizes a court to issue an order allowing or directing a law enforcement officer to obtain “location information” from an “electronic device.” “Location information” means real-time or present information concerning the geographic location of an electronic device that is generated by or derived from the operation of that device.

Senate Bill 698, 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 1161.

Sincerely,

Governor Martin O'Malley