

May 12, 2015

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 181 – *State Board of Pharmacy – Sterile Compounding – Compliance by Nonresident Pharmacies and Repeal of Permit Requirement*.

This bill repeals the requirement that specified entities hold a sterile compounding permit issued by the State Board of Pharmacy before engaging in activities relating to sterile compounding; repeals the requirement that a person that prepares and distributes sterile drug products into or within the State hold a specified permit; repeals the qualifications, fees, and other requirements for applying for a sterile compounding permit; and makes the Act an emergency measure.

Senate Bill 69, 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 181.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.