

May 27, 2016

The Honorable Thomas V. Miller, Jr.
Senate President
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 696 – *Frederick County – Alcoholic Beverages – Art Gallery Beer and Wine License*.

This bill authorizes the Board of License Commissioners for Frederick County to issue an art gallery beer and wine license to nonprofit and for-profit retail businesses that display and sell original artwork, or copies of original artwork that are produced no more than 300 times, by an individual or a group of artists and specifies that a holder of the license may sell or serve beer and wine at retail for on-premises consumption when snacks are served during specified hours, and specifies a \$100 annual license fee.

House Bill 842, 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 696.

Sincerely,

Governor Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.