

May 26, 2017

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, I have vetoed House Bill 1030 – *Baltimore City – Hotel Room Tax – Convention Center Promotion and Operations*.

This bill extends to a certain date the requirement that Baltimore City appropriate at least 40% of hotel room tax proceeds to Visit Baltimore for convention center marketing and tourism promotion. This bill also authorizes the proceeds to be used for convention center operations.

Senate Bill 846, 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 1030.

Sincerely,

Lawrence J. Hogan, Jr.
Governor