

May 26, 2006

The Honorable Michael E. Busch
Speaker of the House
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 1439 – *Education - Educational Technology Pilot Program - Elementary Schools*.

This bill establishes the Educational Technology Pilot Program in Baltimore City and Dorchester, Prince George's, Somerset, and St. Mary's counties; requires the State Superintendent of Schools and specified organizations to develop a plan to implement the program in elementary schools; requires the plan to meet specified requirements; and provides for the funding of the program.

Senate Bill 848, 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 1439.

Very truly yours,

Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor