May 20, 2010

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr.

President of the Senate
H–107 State House
Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed Senate Bill 509 – Vehicle Laws – Exceptional Hauling Permits – Validity in Select Eastern Shore Counties.

This bill includes Dorchester, Somerset, Talbot, Wicomico, and Worcester Counties as counties in which an exceptional hauling permit issued by the State Highway Administration is valid for a combination of vehicles that transports specified forestry products, subject to specified axle configuration requirements, increased maximum load limits, weight tolerances, inspection requirements, operation restrictions and requirements, penalties, record keeping and reporting requirements, and fees.

House Bill 667, 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 509.

Sincerely,

Governor