May 26, 2006

The Honorable Thomas V. Mike Miller, Jr. President of the Senate State House Annapolis, MD 21401

Dear Mr. President:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 473 - Kent County - State's Attorney - Salary.

This bill increases the salary of the State's Attorney for Kent County to 80 percent of the salary of a judge of the District Court of Maryland; and provides that the Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent State's Attorney for Kent County.

House Bill 370, 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 473.

Very truly yours, Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. Governor

Senate Bill No. 473

AN ACT concerning

Kent County - State's Attorney - Salary

FOR the purpose of altering the salary of the State's Attorney for Kent County; providing that this Act does not apply to the salary or compensation of the incumbent State's Attorney for Kent County; and generally relating to the salary of the State's Attorney for Kent County.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 10 – Legal Officials

Section 40(o)(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article 10 - Legal Officials

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(o) In Kent County:

(1) The State's Attorney's salary shall be [70] 80 percent of the salary of a judge of the District Court of Maryland.