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(e) The Department shall keep a record of the use of military administrative leave under this section.

## Chapter 389 of the Acts of 2003, as amended by Chapter 122 of the Acts of 2004 and Chapter 104 of the Acts of 2005

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2003. [It shall remain effective for a period of 3 years and, at the end of June 30, 2006, with no further action required by the General Assembly, this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.]

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2006.

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 59 - Criminal Law - Crimes of Violence - Child Abuse.

This bill adds the crime of child abuse in the first degree to the list of crimes of violence for which specified enhanced penalties are applied to specified offenders.

Senate Bill 509, 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 59.

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

## House Bill No. 59

AN ACT concerning

## Criminal Law - Crimes of Violence - Child Abuse

FOR the purpose of adding the crime of child abuse in the first degree to the list of crimes of violence for which certain enhanced penalties are applied to certain offenders; and generally relating to crimes of violence.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Criminal Law

Section 14-101

Annotated Code of Maryland