

elected from district 6 at the general election in November 2008, shall succeed that appointed member and serve for a term of 4 years until a successor is elected and qualifies;

(2) The term of the appointed member whose term is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2008, shall terminate at the end of December 31, 2008, and the member elected from district 2 at the general election in November 2008, shall succeed that appointed member and serve for a term of 4 years until a successor is elected and qualifies; and

(3) The term of the appointed member whose term is scheduled to expire on June 30, 2009, shall terminate at the end of December 31, 2008, and the member elected from district 5 at the general election in November 2008, shall succeed that appointed member and serve for a term of 4 years until a successor is elected and qualifies.

SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall take effect on the taking effect of the termination provision specified in Section 20 of Chapter 289 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2002. If that termination provision takes effect, Section ~~1~~ 3 of this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect. This Act may not be interpreted to have any effect on that termination provision.

SECTION 8. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, subject to the provisions of Section 7 of this Act, this Act shall take effect October 1, 2005.

May 26, 2005

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 577 - *Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission - Termination Date Extension and Modifications*.

This bill extends the termination date for the Community Services Reimbursement Rate Commission. Senate Bill 577 also requires the Commission to study the variation in specified costs and recommend whether the rates should include specified adjustments. Moreover, the Commission must review the changes in specified payments and the utilization of specified services.

House Bill 896, 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 577.

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