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made to § 1-310 of the Public Safety Article, as amended by Section 1 of this Act, are null and void without the necessity of further action by the General Assembly.

SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, for State operating budgets beginning with fiscal 2005, the Governor shall provide a plan for repayment to the 9–1–1 Trust Fund any monies transferred from the 9–1–1 Trust Fund under budget reconciliation and financing legislation or by other means that would result in the use of the monies for a purpose other than the original intended use.

SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the term of the initial member of the Emergency Number Systems Board representing a county with a population of 200,000 or more and the term of the initial member of the Emergency Number Systems Board representing a county with a population of less than 200,000 shall expire in 2007.

SECTION 2. 4. 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2003.

May 22, 2003

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 554 – Medicaid Reimbursement – Community–Based Services for Children with Disabilities.

This bill requires the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to apply to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services for an amendment to the State Medical Assistance Program. This amendment, if approved, will allow the Department to receive specified federal matching funds for part of the nonroom—and—board portion of certain residential care costs.

House Bill 405, 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 554.

Sincerely, Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr. Governor

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