

(1) ASSIST IN DEVELOPING THE AGREEMENT UNDER § 8-602 OF THIS SUBTITLE;

(2) MONITOR AND REVIEW THE RESULTS FROM THE EARLY CHILDHOOD PROGRAM AGREEMENT; AND

(3) SUBMIT AN ANNUAL REPORT TO THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY ON OR BEFORE DECEMBER 1, IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 2-1246 OF THE STATE GOVERNMENT ARTICLE, ON THE EFFECTIVENESS AND SUCCESS OF THE AGREEMENT IN PROMOTING EARLY CHILDHOOD EDUCATIONAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL PROGRAMS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That for fiscal year 2005, and each fiscal year thereafter, the Governor shall include in the annual budget bill an appropriation at least equal to the fiscal 2003 appropriation ~~for early childhood education programs including Head Start, the Judy Centers, prekindergarten, and kindergarten programs and child care centers~~ *for Head Start and the Judy Centers.*

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2003.

May 22, 2003

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 649 – Natural Resources – Maryland Provisional Chesapeake Bay Charter Boat Permit.

This bill requires the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) to establish a Maryland Provisional Chesapeake Bay Charter Boat Permit valid only for operating a vessel for charter fishing trips originating from the tidal waters of Virginia or the Potomac River. A permit fee is not specified and the permit is nontransferable. The bill authorizes the DNR to adopt implementing regulations.

Senate Bill 301, 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 649.

Sincerely,
Robert L. Ehrlich, Jr.
Governor

House Bill No. 649

AN ACT concerning