

May 26, 2004

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, I have today vetoed House Bill 177 – *Insurance Producers – Continuing Education Requirements*.

This bill requires specified insurance producers to receive continuing education, directly relating to flood insurance.

Senate Bill 584, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 11, 2004, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 177.

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

**House Bill No. 177**

AN ACT concerning

**Insurance Producers – Continuing Education Requirements**

FOR the purpose of requiring certain insurance producers to receive continuing education on flood insurance under certain circumstances; requiring certain insurance producers to complete the continuing education requirements relating to flood insurance on or before a certain date; and generally relating to continuing education requirements for insurance producers.

BY adding to

Article – Insurance  
Section 10–116(a)(4)(iii)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(2003 Replacement Volume)

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

**Article – Insurance**

10–116.

(a) (4) (III) EACH INSURANCE PRODUCER WHO POSSESSES A LICENSE TO SELL PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE AND WHO SELLS FLOOD INSURANCE SHALL RECEIVE CONTINUING EDUCATION THAT DIRECTLY RELATES TO FLOOD INSURANCE.