

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 367 – *Residential Child Care Programs – Certification of Program Administrator*.

This bill establishes the State Board for Certification of Residential Child Care Program Administrators and its duties and membership; establishing the terms and requirements for specified members of the Board; authorizing the Board to employ staff in accordance with the budget for the Board; establishing a State Board for Certification of Residential Child Care Program Administrators Fund.

Senate Bill 99, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on May 26, 2004, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 367.

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

House Bill No. 367

AN ACT concerning

~~Children's Group Home~~ Residential Child Care Programs – Certification of Program Administrator

FOR the purpose of establishing the State Board for Certification of ~~Children's Group Home~~ Residential Child Care Program Administrators; specifying the membership, powers, and duties of the Board; establishing the terms of and requirements for certain members of the Board; authorizing the Board to employ certain staff in accordance with the budget of the Board; establishing a State Board for Certification of ~~Children's Group Home~~ Residential Child Care Program Administrators Fund; establishing certain immunity from liability for certain persons under certain circumstances; requiring an individual to be certified before the individual may administer a ~~children's group home~~ residential child care program licensed by certain State departments; establishing certain procedures in the event that a program administrator leaves or is removed; specifying the qualifications for certain certificates; specifying application procedures for certain applications; authorizing the issuance and renewal of certain certificates; authorizing certain individuals with certificates to administer certain programs; providing for the expiration and renewal of certain certificates; establishing certain grounds for discipline; requiring the Board to provide certain hearing procedures before certain