It is the intent of the General Assembly that beginning in fiscal year 2006, at least \$500,000 shall be included annually in the State budget for the Solar Energy Grant Program.

SECTION 2. 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2004 January 1, 2005.

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 733 - Campaign Finance - Contributions - Credit Cards.

This bill alters a specified limitation on the amount of contributions that may be made by credit card to candidates and political committees.

Senate Bill 846, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me on April 27, 2004, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 733.

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

House Bill No. 733

AN ACT concerning

Campaign Finance - Contributions - Credit Cards

FOR the purpose of altering a certain limitation on the amount of contributions that may be made by credit card to candidates and political committees; and generally relating to campaign contributions.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Election Law

Section 13-226

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2003 Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

Article - Election Law