

May 17, 2007

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 662 - *Local Law Enforcement Agencies - Disposal of Personal Property*.

This bill requires local law enforcement agencies to hold personal property that comes into their possession until specified determinations are made, subject to a specified exception and establishes a procedure for local law enforcement agencies to notify the owner of the property and for the owner of the property to secure the release of the property in a specified manner within 30 days. It also authorizes a local law enforcement agency to sell personal property at public auction after 3 months.

House Bill 1067, 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 662.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley
Governor

Senate Bill 662

AN ACT concerning

Local Law Enforcement Agencies - Disposal of Personal Property

FOR the purpose of requiring local law enforcement agencies to hold certain personal property that comes into their possession until certain determinations are made, subject to a certain exception; establishing a procedure for local law enforcement agencies to notify the owner of the property and for the owner of the property to secure the release of the property in a certain manner within a certain period of time; authorizing a local law enforcement agency to sell certain personal property in a certain manner after a certain period of time; establishing that the amount received from the sale of personal property shall be distributed in a certain order of priority to certain entities; ~~requiring that a certain remaining amount from the sale of personal property that was in the~~