

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed Senate Bill 960 - *Frederick County - Procurement Contracts - Architectural and Engineering Services*.

This bill authorizes the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County to award procurement contracts for architectural and engineering services costing more than \$30,000 based on an evaluation of the technical proposals and qualifications of at least two persons. It further requires that the contracts be fair, competitive, and reasonable.

House Bill 905, 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 960.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley
Governor

Senate Bill 960

AN ACT concerning

Frederick County - Procurement Contracts - Architectural and Engineering Services

FOR the purpose of authorizing the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County to award certain procurement contracts for architectural and engineering services based on an evaluation of the technical proposals and qualifications of at least a certain number of persons; requiring that the contracts be fair, competitive, and reasonable; making stylistic changes; and generally relating to contracts for architectural and engineering services awarded by the Board of County Commissioners of Frederick County.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article 25 - County Commissioners
Section 3(l)(1)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article 25 - County Commissioners
Section 3(l)(3)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)