In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, today I have vetoed House Bill 302 - Jury Selection and Service.

This bill alters provisions of law relating to jury selection and service, including provisions relating to limits on frequency of service, the contents of the juror qualification form, and postponement and other rescheduling of jury service.

Senate Bill 142, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 302.

Sincerely,

Martin O'Malley Governor

House Bill 302

AN ACT concerning

Jury Selection and Service

FOR the purpose of altering certain provisions of law relating to jury selection and service, including provisions relating to limits on frequency of service, the contents of the juror qualification form, and postponement and other rescheduling of jury service; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to jury selection and service.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 8-215(4), 8-216, 8-302(a), 8-304(b)(2), 8-305(2), 8-310(c)(2), 8-314(a), and 8-402(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland (2006 Replacement Volume)

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

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

8-215.

The jury plan for a county may enable its jury commissioner, subject to criteria set forth in the jury plan and under the overall supervision of the county's jury judge, to: