BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 370 (First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, after "Discrimination" insert "<u>- Independent Agents</u>"; in line 3, strike "discrimination by" and substitute "<u>an independent agent from negotiating or placing a premium finance agreement with a premium finance company in which the independent agent has a direct or indirect ownership interest; altering the applicability of a certain prohibition on"; in line 4, after the first "agents" insert "<u>relating to discrimination</u>"; in line 5, strike "instead of paying premiums in a different manner" and substitute "<u>under certain circumstances</u>"; in line 7, after "insurance;" insert "<u>providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act;</u>"; in lines 7 and 8, strike "discrimination against" and substitute "<u>independent agents and</u>"; and after line 8, insert:</u>

"BY adding to

Article - Insurance Section 10-133 Annotated Code of Maryland (1997 Volume and 1998 Supplement)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 16, insert:

"<u>10-133.</u>

AN INDEPENDENT AGENT MAY NOT NEGOTIATE OR PLACE A PREMIUM FINANCE AGREEMENT WITH A PREMIUM FINANCE COMPANY IN WHICH THE INDEPENDENT AGENT HAS A DIRECT OR INDIRECT OWNERSHIP INTEREST.";

in line 18, before "An" insert "(A)"; and after line 24, insert:

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"(B) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO LIFE INSURANCE OR HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGES, EXCEPT THOSE COVERAGES DESCRIBED IN § 20-504 OF THIS ARTICLE.".

FIN

On page 2, after line 7, insert:

"(C) THIS SECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO LIFE INSURANCE OR HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGES, EXCEPT THOSE COVERAGES DESCRIBED IN § 20-504 OF THIS ARTICLE.".