

BY: Commerce and Government Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 555

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 5, after “prohibition;” insert “specifying a civil penalty; modifying a general criminal provision to reflect a certain exception; modifying the civil jurisdiction of the District Court for a specified purpose; making stylistic changes;”; after line 7 insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

Section 4-401(11)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1995 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)”;

in line 13, strike “without” and substitute “with”; and in line 15, strike “and (b)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 19, insert:

“Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

4-401.

Except as provided in § 4-402 of this subtitle, and subject to the venue provisions of Title 6 of this article, the District Court has exclusive original civil jurisdiction in:

(11) A proceeding for adjudication of a civil penalty for any violation under § 5-1001 of the Environment Article [of the Code or under], § 21-1122 OF THE TRANSPORTATION ARTICLE, OR ARTICLE 41, § 2-101(c-1) [of Article 41] of the Code, or any rule or regulation issued pursuant to those sections; and”.

(Over)

On page 2, after line 9, insert:

“(D) A PERSON WHO VIOLATES SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION IS SUBJECT TO A CIVIL PENALTY NOT EXCEEDING \$50.”;

in line 12, strike “is” and substitute “:

(1) IS”;

in line 13, after “State” insert “: OR

(2) IS PUNISHABLE BY A CIVIL PENALTY UNDER THE APPLICABLE PROVISION OF THE MARYLAND VEHICLE LAW”;

and strike in their entirety lines 14 through 16, inclusive.