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**By: Delegate Gordon**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Consumer Protection - "Lemon Law" - Required Notice**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to develop a notice that  
4 describes the rights provided to consumers under the Maryland Automotive  
5 Warranty Enforcement Act; requiring the Motor Vehicle Administration to make  
6 the notice available to dealers that sell new motor vehicles in the State; specifying  
7 the manner in which the notice is to be written and certain contents of the notice;  
8 requiring certain dealers to provide a copy of the notice to purchasers of new motor  
9 vehicles at a certain time; and generally relating to providing notice of the rights and  
10 remedies available under the Maryland Automotive Warranty Enforcement Act.

11 BY adding to

12 Article - Commercial Law

13 Section 14-1502.1

14 Annotated Code of Maryland

15 (1990 Replacement Volume and 1996 Supplement)

16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

17 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

18 **Article - Commercial Law**

19 14-1502.1.

20 (A) THE MOTOR VEHICLE ADMINISTRATION SHALL:

21 (1) DEVELOP A NOTICE THAT DESCRIBES THE RIGHTS PROVIDED TO  
22 CONSUMERS UNDER THIS SUBTITLE; AND

23 (2) MAKE THE NOTICE AVAILABLE TO ALL DEALERS THAT SELL NEW  
24 MOTOR VEHICLES IN THE STATE.

25 (B) THE NOTICE SHALL:

26 (1) BE WRITTEN IN SIMPLE AND READABLE PLAIN LANGUAGE; AND

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1                   (2) CONTAIN SUFFICIENT DETAIL TO FULLY INFORM CONSUMERS  
2 ABOUT THE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES AVAILABLE UNDER THIS SUBTITLE AND THE  
3 PROCEDURES TO FOLLOW TO ENFORCE THOSE RIGHTS AND REMEDIES.

4                   (C) EACH DEALER THAT SELLS A NEW MOTOR VEHICLE IN THE STATE SHALL  
5 PROVIDE TO THE PURCHASER, AT THE TIME OF THE SALE OR DELIVERY OF THE  
6 MOTOR VEHICLE, A COPY OF THE NOTICE DEVELOPED BY THE MOTOR VEHICLE  
7 ADMINISTRATION UNDER THIS SECTION.

8                   SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
9 October 1, 1997.