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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Consumer Protection - "Lemon Law" for Motorcycles**

3 FOR the purpose of extending application of the Maryland Automotive Warranty
4 Enforcement Act to motorcycles by altering the definition of a "motor vehicle" to
5 include a vehicle that is registered in this State as a Class D (motorcycle)
6 vehicle; altering a certain definition for certain purposes; and generally relating
7 to the application of the Maryland Automotive Warranty Enforcement Act to
8 motorcycles.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
10 Article - Commercial Law
11 Section 14-1501(a)
12 Annotated Code of Maryland
13 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
15 Article - Commercial Law
16 Section 14-1501(c) and (g)
17 Annotated Code of Maryland
18 (1997 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

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

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Article - Commercial Law

2 14-1501.

3 (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

4 (c) (1) "Motor vehicle" means a vehicle that is registered in this State as a:

5 (i) Class A (passenger) vehicle;

6 (II) CLASS D (MOTORCYCLE) VEHICLE;

7 [(ii)] (III) Class E (truck) vehicle with a 3/4 ton or less
8 manufacturer's rated capacity; or

9 [(iii)] (IV) Class M (multipurpose) vehicle.

10 (2) "Motor vehicle" does not include a motor home. For the purpose of
11 administering this subtitle, the Motor Vehicle Administration shall promulgate a
12 regulation defining a motor home.13 (g) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION,
14 "[Manufacturer's] MANUFACTURER'S warranty period" means the earlier of:15 (i) The period of the motor vehicle's first 15,000 miles of operation;
16 or17 (ii) 15 months following the date of original delivery of the motor
18 vehicle to the consumer.19 (2) FOR THE PURPOSES OF A CLASS D (MOTORCYCLE) VEHICLE,
20 "MANUFACTURER'S WARRANTY PERIOD" MEANS THE EARLIER OF:21 (I) THE PERIOD OF THE MOTOR VEHICLE'S FIRST 12,000 MILES OF
22 OPERATION; OR23 (II) 5 MONTHS FOLLOWING THE DATE OF ORIGINAL DELIVERY OF
24 THE MOTOR VEHICLE TO THE CONSUMER.25 [(2)] (3) This subsection does not extend any manufacturer's express
26 warranty.27 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
28 October 1, 1998.

