BY: Economic Matters Committee

### AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 14

(First Reading File Bill)

### AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike "Hurson,"; and in the sponsor line, strike "and Wood" and substitute "Wood, W. Baker, Bobo, Bronrott, Cadden, Carlson, Clagett, Cole, D'Amato, DeCarlo, Dembrow, Donoghue, Dypski, Finifter, Frush, Giannetti, Goldwater, Hammen, Heller, Hubers, James, A. Jones, V. Jones, Kirk, Love, Mandel, McIntosh, Moe, Morhaim, Nathan-Pulliam, Patterson, Pendergrass, Petzold, Phillips, Riley, Rosso, Shriver, Swain, Turner, Weir, and Zirkin"; in line 2, strike "Information Technology and Consumer Privacy" and substitute "Electronic Transactions"; in the same line, strike "of 2001"; strike beginning with "prohibiting" in line 3 down through "circumstances;" in line 10; in line 11, strike "On-line Consumer Advocacy" and substitute "Electronic Transaction Education, Advocacy, and Mediation"; strike beginning with "Division" in line 11 down through the first "the" in line 12; in line 13, strike "Division" and substitute "Unit"; in the same line, after "regulations" insert "at the direction of the Attorney General; defining certain terms"; strike beginning with "providing" in line 14 down through "Act;" in line 24; and in line 25, strike "information technology and consumer privacy" and substitute "electronic transactions".

On pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 26 on page 1 through line 6 on page 2, inclusive, and substitute:

### "BY adding to

Article - State Government

Section 6-201 through 6-203, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 2. Electronic Transactions Protection Act"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1999 Replacement Volume and 2000 Supplement)".

#### AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 2 through 7, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 9 on page 2 through

line 5 on page 7, inclusive.

# AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 7, after line 5, insert:

# "Article - State Government

# SUBTITLE 2. ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS PROTECTION ACT.

<u>6-201.</u>

IN THIS SUBTITLE, "ELECTRONIC TRANSACTIONS" MEANS THE USE OF, ACCESS TO, OR COMMUNICATION INVOLVING THE INTERNET, WORLD WIDE WEB, OR WIRELESS OR SIMILAR TECHNOLOGIES.

<u>6-202.</u>".

On page 7, in line 6, strike "ON-LINE CONSUMER ADVOCACY" and substitute "ELECTRONIC TRANSACTION EDUCATION, ADVOCACY, AND MEDIATION"; in the same line, strike "DIVISION" and substitute "OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL"; in line 9, strike "UNFAIR OR DECEPTIVE" and substitute "UNLAWFUL CONDUCT OR"; in lines 9, 17, 23, 26, 30, and 34, in each instance, strike "COMMERCE"; in line 11, strike "FROM INDIVIDUALS"; in lines 16 and 22, in each instance, strike "UNFAIR OR DECEPTIVE TRADE" and substitute "UNLAWFUL CONDUCT OR"; in lines 18 and 25, in each instance, strike "CONSUMERS" and substitute "THE PUBLIC"; strike beginning with "UNFAIR" in line 29 down through "TRADE" in line 30 and substitute "UNLAWFUL CONDUCT OR"; and in line 31, after "IN" insert a comma.

On page 8, in lines 2, 9, and 13, in each instance, strike "COMMERCE"; in lines 8 and 12, in each instance, strike "UNFAIR OR DECEPTIVE TRADE" and substitute "<u>UNLAWFUL CONDUCT OR</u>"; in line 14, strike "14-2905" and substitute "<u>6-203</u>"; strike beginning with "DIVISION" in line 15 down through "ARTICLE," in line 16 and substitute "<u>UNIT</u>"; and strike in their entirety lines 18 through 23, inclusive.

#### AMENDMENT NO. 4

On pages 8 through 10, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 24 on page 8 through line 3 on page 10, inclusive.

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On page 10, in line 4, strike "3." and substitute "2."; and strike beginning with "Section" in line 5 down through "effect." in line 7.