

BY: Economic Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL NO. 576

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with “altering” in line 3 down through “purchase;” in line 4; strike beginning with “altering” in line 6 down through “aid” in line 7 and substitute “requiring a seller of a hearing aid to bill fees for diagnostic tests separately from certain other charges; authorizing a seller of a hearing aid to deduct payments made for diagnostic tests from a refund paid to a purchaser after cancellation of a hearing aid purchase; requiring the disclosure of certain information in a notice of cancellation; making a certain conforming change”; after line 8, insert:

“BY adding to

Article - Commercial Law

Section 14-2502.1

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Commercial Law

Section 14-2503(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)”;

and in line 11, strike “14-2503” and substitute “14-2503(b) and (f)(1)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 16, insert:

“14-2502.1.

(Over)

(A) THE SELLER OF A HEARING AID MUST BILL ANY FEE FOR DIAGNOSTIC TESTS SEPARATELY FROM ANY CHARGES FOR THE PURCHASE AND FITTING OF A HEARING AID.

(B) A SEPARATELY BILLED FEE FOR A DIAGNOSTIC TEST IS NOT SUBJECT TO REFUND UNDER § 14-2503 OF THIS SUBTITLE.”.

On page 2 in line 2, and on page 4 in line 13, in each instance, strike “IF BILLED SEPARATELY”.

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 26 on page 2 through line 6 on page 3, inclusive.

On pages 3 and 4, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 19 on page 3 through line 8 on page 4, inclusive.