HOUSE BILL 1105

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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund – Authority of Commissioner to Impose Penalties and Restitution

- FOR the purpose of authorizing the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to impose a
 certain penalty on the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund for a violation of
 the Insurance Article; authorizing the Commissioner to require the Fund to
 make restitution to a certain person under certain circumstances; and generally
 relating to the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund.
- 9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 10 Article Insurance
- 11 Section 4–113(d)
- 12 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 13 (2003 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)
- 14 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 15 Article Insurance
- 16 Section 20–201
- 17 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 18 (2006 Replacement Volume and 2006 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 – Insurance

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW. [Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



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- 1 4–113.

2 (d) (1) Instead of or in addition to suspending or revoking a certificate of 3 authority **OF AN INSURER**, the Commissioner may:

- 4 [(1)] (I) impose on the holder a penalty of not less than \$100 but not 5 more than \$125,000 for each violation of this article; and
- 6 [(2)] (II) require the holder to make restitution to any person who has 7 suffered financial injury because of the violation of this article.

8 (2) THE PROVISIONS OF THIS SUBSECTION APPLY TO THE 9 MARYLAND AUTOMOBILE INSURANCE FUND.

10 20–201.

11 (a) There is a Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund.

12 (b) The Fund is a member of the Property and Casualty Insurance Guaranty13 Corporation.

14 (c) In addition to the provisions of this title, the Fund is subject to:

- 15 (1) Title 2, Subtitle 5 of this article; AND
- 16 (2) § 4–113(D) OF THIS ARTICLE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effectOctober 1, 2007.