HB1057/407476/1

BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1057

(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, after "Invoices" insert ", Written Estimates, and Forms for Authorization of Repairs"; in line 3, after "invoice" insert ", a written estimate for repair work, and a form for authorization of repairs"; in line 10, after "responsibility" insert ", including the extent of the insurance coverage of the automotive repair facility"; in the same line, strike "a stylistic change" and substitute "stylistic changes"; in line 11, strike "and invoices"; in line 14, after "Section" insert "14-1002(a) and"; and after line 16, insert:

"BY adding to

Article - Commercial Law

Section 14-1008(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 19, insert:

"14–1002.

- (a) (1) Before beginning any repair work on a motor vehicle for which a customer is charged more than \$50, an automotive repair facility shall give the customer on [his] **THE CUSTOMER'S** request a written statement which contains:
 - (i) The estimated completion date; [and]

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- (ii) The estimated price for labor and parts necessary to complete the work; [and]
- (III) A CLEAR STATEMENT THAT WHILE THE CUSTOMER'S MOTOR VEHICLE IS ON THE PREMISES OF THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACILITY, THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACILITY MAY NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DAMAGE TO THE CUSTOMER'S MOTOR VEHICLE UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND THAT THE CUSTOMER SHOULD ASK A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACILITY ABOUT THE EXTENT OF ITS RESPONSIBILITY, INCLUDING THE EXTENT OF THE INSURANCE COVERAGE OF THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACILITY; AND

[(iii)] (IV) The estimated surcharge, if any.

(2) If the fee is disclosed to the customer before the estimate is made, the automotive repair facility may charge a reasonable fee for making the estimate.".

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, in line 14, after "<u>RESPONSIBILITY</u>" insert "<u>, INCLUDING THE EXTENT OF THE INSURANCE COVERAGE OF THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACILITY</u>"; and after line 23, insert:

"14-1008.

(E) THE AUTHORIZATION FORM SHALL INCLUDE A CLEAR STATEMENT THAT WHILE THE CUSTOMER'S MOTOR VEHICLE IS ON THE PREMISES OF THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACILITY, THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACILITY MAY NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DAMAGE TO THE CUSTOMER'S MOTOR VEHICLE UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND THAT THE CUSTOMER SHOULD ASK A

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REPRESENTATIVE OF THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACILITY ABOUT THE EXTENT OF ITS RESPONSIBILITY, INCLUDING THE EXTENT OF THE INSURANCE COVERAGE OF THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACILITY.".