

# HOUSE BILL 1057

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By: **Delegate King**

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Assigned to: Economic Matters

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## A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Commercial Law – Automotive Repair Facilities – Invoices**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring an invoice from an automotive repair facility to state  
4 that while a customer's motor vehicle is on the premises of the automotive  
5 repair facility, the automotive repair facility is not responsible for any damage  
6 to the customer's motor vehicle that is caused by an individual not employed by  
7 the automotive repair facility; making a stylistic change; and generally relating  
8 to automotive repair facilities and invoices.

9 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
10 Article – Commercial Law  
11 Section 14–1003  
12 Annotated Code of Maryland  
13 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

16 **Article – Commercial Law**

17 14–1003.

18 (a) An automotive repair facility shall prepare an invoice which describes:

19 (1) All work done by it, including all warranty work; and

20 (2) All parts supplied by it.

21 (b) The invoice shall state clearly [if]:

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1           (1) IF any used, rebuilt, or reconditioned parts have been supplied or  
2 if a part of a component system supplied is composed of used, rebuilt, or reconditioned  
3 parts; AND

4           (2) THAT WHILE A CUSTOMER'S MOTOR VEHICLE IS ON THE  
5 PREMISES OF THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACILITY, THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR  
6 FACILITY IS NOT RESPONSIBLE FOR ANY DAMAGE TO THE CUSTOMER'S MOTOR  
7 VEHICLE THAT IS CAUSED BY AN INDIVIDUAL NOT EMPLOYED BY THE  
8 AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACILITY.

9           (c) The invoice shall include the following notice:

10                           "Manufacturer Special Policy Adjustment Programs

11           Federal law requires manufacturers to furnish the National Highway Traffic  
12 Safety Administration (N.H.T.S.A.) with bulletins describing any defects in their  
13 vehicles. You may obtain copies of these bulletins from either the manufacturer or  
14 N.H.T.S.A. In addition, certain consumer publications or organizations publish this  
15 information, which may be available for a fee or for free."

16           (d) After the customer signs the invoice, the automotive repair facility shall  
17 give [him] **THE CUSTOMER** a copy of it and retain a copy.

18           SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
19 October 1, 2008.