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BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 52

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 4, after the semicolon insert "<u>correcting a certain error in provisions of law relating to remedies available in a certain civil action;</u>"; and in line 6, after "cross—references" insert "<u>and corrections</u>".

On page 2, after line 15, insert:

"BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - State Government

Section 20-1013(d)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter (H.B. 51) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

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Section 20-1013(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(As enacted by Chapter (H.B. 51) of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2009)".

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 5, after line 27, insert:

"<u>20–1013.</u>

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- (d) If the court finds that a discriminatory act occurred, the court may provide the remedies specified in § 20–1009(b) of this subtitle.
- (e) (1) In addition to the relief authorized under subsection (d) of this section, the court may award punitive damages, if:
- [(1)] (I) the respondent is not a governmental unit or political subdivision; and
- [(2)] (II) the court finds that the respondent has engaged in or is engaging in an unlawful employment practice with actual malice.
- (2) If the court awards punitive damages, the sum of the amount of compensatory damages awarded to each complainant under subsection (d) of this section and the amount of punitive damages awarded under this subsection may not exceed the applicable limitation established under § 20–2009(b)(3) of this subtitle."