

BY: Economic Matters Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 362
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 15, after “circumstances;” insert “requiring the Commission to publish certain consumer education materials on its Web site; requiring the Commission to develop a certain searchable Web site that includes certain information;”; in line 16, after “fees;” insert “requiring a home improvement contract to contain the telephone number of the contractor;”; and after line 27, insert:

“BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article – Business Regulation

Section 8-101(a), (b), and (e) and 8-707(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Business Regulation

Section 8-215 and 8-216

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2010 Replacement Volume and 2010 Supplement)”.

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 5 through 9, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, after line 25, insert:

“8-101.

(a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.

(Over)

- (b) “Commission” means the Maryland Home Improvement Commission.
- (e) “Fund” means the Home Improvement Guaranty Fund.

8-215.

THE COMMISSION SHALL PUBLISH ON ITS WEB SITE CONSUMER EDUCATION MATERIALS THAT SPECIFY THE PROTECTIONS AVAILABLE TO CONSUMERS THROUGH THE COMMISSION, INCLUDING THE AVAILABILITY OF COMPENSATION FROM THE GUARANTY FUND.

8-216.

THE COMMISSION SHALL DEVELOP A SEARCHABLE WEB SITE THAT INCLUDES A LISTING OF LICENSED CONTRACTORS AND INFORMATION RELATING TO ANY FINAL DISCIPLINARY ACTION TAKEN BY THE COMMISSION AGAINST A LICENSEE IN EACH LICENSEE’S PROFILE.”.

On page 5, in line 10, after “address,” insert “TELEPHONE NUMBER,”.