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BY: Finance Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 682

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “Vendor –” and substitute “Vendor.”; in line 3, strike “Customers” and substitute “Customers, and Study”; and in line 8, after “circumstances;” insert “requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to make certain determinations and review certain laws, practices, guidelines, and standards relating to limited lines insurance; requiring the Commissioner to keep track of certain complaints regarding the sales practices of vendor employees at point of sale; requiring the Commissioner to report certain findings and recommendations to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the termination of certain provisions of this Act;”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 1, after line 23, insert:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – Insurance”.

On page 3, after line 30, insert:

“SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Maryland Insurance Commissioner shall:

(1) determine the types of limited lines insurance that are authorized to be offered in other states;

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(2) review the laws and practices of other states relating to the offering of limited lines insurance, including whether a license to sell a limited lines insurance policy is required, and whether and how employees of a licensee are compensated for selling a limited lines insurance policy;

(3) review the National Association of Insurance Commissioners' guidelines and standards relating to the authorization of limited lines insurance;

(4) determine the appropriate regulatory structure, including consumer protections, for the sale of a limited lines insurance policy; and

(5) on or before December 1, 2013, report the Commissioner's findings and recommendations, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Maryland Insurance Commissioner shall:

(1) keep track of complaints from consumers regarding the sales practices of vendor employees at point of sale, including:

(i) the number of complaints;

(ii) a summary of the allegations contained in the complaints;

and

(iii) the disposition of the complaints;

(2) based on the complaints under paragraph (1) of this section and any other information the Commissioner determines necessary, determine whether and how vendor employees should be compensated for selling a portable electronics limited lines insurance policy; and

(3) on or before January 1, 2017, report the Commissioner's findings and recommendations, in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Finance Committee and the House Economic Matters Committee.”;

in line 31, strike “2.” and substitute “5.”; and in line 32, after “2013.” insert “Section 1 of this Act shall remain effective for a period of 4 years and, at the end of September 30, 2017, with no further action required by the General Assembly, Section 1 of this Act shall be abrogated and of no further force and effect.”.