

**SB0359/382716/3**

BY: House Judiciary Committee

AMENDMENTS TO SENATE BILL 359  
(Third Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 2, strike “and Filing Procedures”; in line 3, strike “the prohibition on” and substitute “a provision prohibiting”; in the same line, after “court” insert “from”; strike beginning with “authorizing” in line 4 down through “complaints” in line 8 and substitute “repealing a provision specifying that, in a suit for absolute divorce on the grounds of voluntary separation, a separation agreement is full corroboration of the plaintiff’s testimony that the separation was voluntary under certain circumstances”; in line 11, strike “and 7-103(f)”; and on pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 14 on page 1 through line 1 on page 2, inclusive, and substitute:

“BY repealing

Article - Family Law

Section 8-104

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2012 Replacement Volume and 2015 Supplement)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 11 on page 2 through line 6 on page 3, inclusive, and substitute:

“[8-104.

In a suit for absolute divorce on the grounds of voluntary separation, a separation agreement is full corroboration of the plaintiff’s testimony that the separation was voluntary if the agreement:

(Over)

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- (1) states that the spouses voluntarily agreed to separate; and
- (2) is executed under oath before the application for divorce is filed.]”.