Annotated Code of Maryland (1972 Replacement Volume and 1972 Supplement), title "Insurance Code," subtitle "Unfair Trade Practices," be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

240A.

(a) Whenever an insurer gives notice of its intention to cancel or not to renew a policy of insurance other than life, health, IIorll motor vehicle liability insurance OR SURETY INSURANCE AS DEFINED IN SECTION 69 OF THIS ARTICLE issued in this State as hereinafter required in subsection (c) hereof, or before it cancels any such policy of insurance for a reason other than for nonpayment of premium, the insurer shall notify the insured of his possible right to replace such insurance through the Maryland property insurance availability plan, or any other plan, if there be such, and he may be eligible therefor.

## 240C.

(a) "Applicant" as used in this section is defined to mean the person seeking to purchase an insurance policy other than a policy of life, health, Ilorl1 motor vehicle liability insurance OR SURETY INSURANCE AS DEFINED IN SECTION 69 OF THIS ARTICLE whether such policy be a renewal policy, or as a reinstatement of a cancelled policy.

"Reason" as used in this section is defined to include "reasons."

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1973.

Approved May 21, 1973.

## CHAPTER 572

(House Bill 847)

AN ACT to add new Section 21H to Article 83 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1972 Supplement), title "Sales and Notices," subtitle "Consumer Protection," to follow immediately after Section 21G thereof; concerning IIthe charges and II the rendition of bills for repairs of home appliances, and generally relating to repair companies repairing home appliances.

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That new Section 21H be and it is hereby added to Article 83 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1969 Replacement Volume and 1972 Supplement), title "Sales and Notices," subtitle "Consumer Protection," to follow immediately after Section 21G thereof, and to read as follows:

## 21H.

- (A) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, THE FOLLOWING TERMS SHALL HAVE THE FOLLOWING MEANINGS:
- (1) "REPAIR COMPANY" MEANS ANY PERSON, COMPANY, OR CORPORATION WHICH I[IS AUTHORIZED, OR WHICH HOLDS ITSELF OUT, BY ADVERTISING OR OTHERWISE, AS BEING AUTHORIZED BY A MANUFACTURER, RETAILER, OR WHOLESALER OF HOME APPLIANCES TO REPAIR HOME APPLIANCES