

CHAPTER 543

(House Bill 794)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland ~~Home~~ Household Goods Movers Act

FOR the purpose of ~~requiring home movers to provide consumers with certain information under certain circumstances; requiring home movers to provide consumers with written estimates under certain circumstances; requiring a home mover's written estimate to contain certain information; prohibiting a home mover from exercising or threatening to exercise a warehouseman's lien or from refusing to deliver consumer goods~~ prohibiting a household goods mover from enforcing a carrier's lien or refusing to deliver certain household goods under certain circumstances; providing that a violation of this subtitle is an unfair and deceptive trade practice subject to certain enforcement and penalty provisions; providing that a household goods mover who violates this subtitle is subject to certain civil and criminal penalties under certain circumstances; making a certain conforming change; requiring the Division of Consumer Protection of the Office of the Attorney General to report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; providing for the application of this Act ~~establishing a certain short title; defining certain terms; and generally relating to the Maryland ~~Home~~ Household Goods Movers Act.~~

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Commercial Law

Section 7-308(1)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Commercial Law

Section 13-301(14)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Commercial Law

Section 14-2901 through ~~14-2905~~ 14-2904, inclusive, to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 29. Maryland ~~Home~~ Household Goods Movers Act"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2000 Replacement Volume and 2001 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: