BY adding to

<u>Article – Commercial Law</u> <u>Section 14–1008(e)</u> <u>Annotated Code of Maryland</u>

(2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

Article - Commercial Law

14–*1002*.

- (a) (1) Before beginning any repair work on a motor vehicle for which a customer is charged more than \$50, an automotive repair facility shall give the customer on [his] THE CUSTOMER'S request a written statement which contains:
 - (i) The estimated completion date; [and]
- (ii) The estimated price for labor and parts necessary to complete the work; [and]

(III) A CLEAR STATEMENT THAT WHILE THE CUSTOMER'S MOTOR VEHICLE IS ON THE PREMISES OF THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACILITY, THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACILITY MAY NOT BE RESPONSIBLE FOR DAMAGE TO THE CUSTOMER'S MOTOR VEHICLE UNDER CERTAIN CIRCUMSTANCES, AND THAT THE CUSTOMER SHOULD ASK A REPRESENTATIVE OF THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACILITY ABOUT THE EXTENT OF ITS RESPONSIBILITY, INCLUDING THE EXTENT OF THE INSURANCE COVERAGE OF THE AUTOMOTIVE REPAIR FACILITY; AND

[(iii)] (IV) The estimated surcharge, if any.

- (2) If the fee is disclosed to the customer before the estimate is made, the automotive repair facility may charge a reasonable fee for making the estimate.

 14–1003.
 - (a) An automotive repair facility shall prepare an invoice which describes:
 - (1) All work done by it, including all warranty work; and
 - (2) All parts supplied by it.