

"Life, Accident and Health Insurance", said new sections to follow immediately after ~~proposed new Section 185G~~ SECTION 185 of the said Article and to be known as Section ~~185H and 185-I~~ 185A AND 185B, relating to group life insurance, CERTAIN DEFINITIONS AND UNIFORM PROVISIONS THEREOF.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That two new sections be and the same are hereby added to Article 48A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1951 Edition), title "Insurance", sub-title "Life, Accident and Health Insurance", said new sections to be known as Sections ~~185H and 185-I~~ 185A AND 185B, to follow immediately after ~~proposed new Section 185G~~ SECTION 185 of said Article, to read as follows:

~~185H~~ 185A. *Group—Life Insurance. Definition. No policy of group life insurance shall be delivered, or issued for delivery, in this State unless it conforms to one of the following descriptions:*

(1) *A policy issued to an employer, or to the trustees of a fund established by an employer, which employer or trustees shall be deemed the policyholder, to insure employees of the employer for the benefit of persons other than the employer, subject to the following requirements:*

(a) *The employees eligible for insurance under the policy shall be all of the employees of the employer, or all of any class or classes thereof determined by conditions pertaining to their employment. The policy may provide that the term "employees" shall include the employees of one or more subsidiary corporations, and the employees, individual proprietors, and partners of one or more affiliated corporations, proprietors or partnerships if the business of the employer and of such affiliated corporations, proprietors or partnerships is under common control through stock ownership, or contract or otherwise. The policy may provide that the term "employees" shall include the individual proprietor or partners if the employer is an individual proprietor or a partnership. The policy may provide that the term "employees" shall include retired employees.*

*No director of a corporate employer shall be eligible for insurance under the policy unless such person is otherwise eligible as a bona fide employee of the corporation by performing services other than the usual duties of a director. No individual proprietor or partner shall be eligible for insurance under the policy unless he is actively engaged in and devotes a substantial part of his time to the conduct of the business of the proprietor or partnership. A policy issued to insure the "employees" of a public body may provide that the term employee shall include elected or appointed officials.*

(b) *The premium for the policy shall be paid by the policyholder, either wholly from the employer's funds or funds contributed by him, or partly from such funds and partly from funds contributed by the insured employees. No policy may be issued on which the entire premium is to be derived from funds contributed by the insured employees. A policy on which part of the premium is to be derived from funds contributed by the insured employees may be placed in force only if at least 75% of the then eligible employees, excluding any as to whom evidence of individual insurability is not satisfactory to the insurer, elect to make the required contributions. A policy on which*