Section 1. Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland, That Section 215 of Article 48A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Insurance", sub-title "Life, Accident and Health Insurance", sub-heading "Uniform Individual Accident and Sickness Policy Provisions Law", and Section 257 of Article 48A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Insurance", sub-title "Reciprocal Exchanges and Inter-Insurers", be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

215.

Nothing in this [sub-title] sub-heading shall apply to or affect (1) any policy of workmen's compensation insurance or any policy of liability insurance with or without supplementary coverage therein, or any reciprocal or inter-insurance contract with or without supplementary coverage therein; or (2) any policy or contract of reinsurance; or (3) any blanket or group policy of insurance; or (4) life insurance, endowment or annuity contracts or contracts supplemental thereto which contain only such provisions relating to accident and sickness insurance as (a) provide additional benefits in case of death or dismemberment or loss of sight by accident, or as (b) operate to safeguard such contracts against lapse, or to give a special surrender value or special benefit or an annuity in the event that the insured or annuitant shall become totally and permanently disabled, as defined by the contract or supplemental contract; or to any relief department, or pension or annuity plan of any common carrier; nor to any organization or association, the privileges of membership of which are confined to employees or former employees of any common carrier or its affiliated or subsidiary companies; nor to any association of such common carriers, which administers such departments, plans, organizations or associations; nor to any policy or contract of insurance issued by fraternal benefit societies or organizations.

257.

Individuals, partnerships and corporations of this or any other State, hereby designated as subscribers, are hereby authorized to exchange reciprocal or inter-insurance contracts with each other or with individuals, partnerships and corporations of other States and countries providing indemnity among themselves from any loss which may be insured against under other provisions of the laws of the State, excepting life, health, and personal accident insurance other than as supplementary coverage in a policy of liability insurance. Such contracts and the exchange thereof and such subscribers, their attorneys and representatives, shall be regulated by the provisions under this sub-title and by no other law relating to insurance, unless such law is referred to under this sub-title or they are expressly designated in such law, and no law hereafter enacted shall apply to them, unless they be expressly designated therein.

SEC. 2. And be it further enacted, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1959.

Approved March 11, 1959.