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SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 61A be and it is hereby added to Article 48A of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1964 Replacement Volume), title "Insurance Code," subheading "Insurers—Authorization and General Requirements," to follow immediately after Section 61 thereof, and to read as follows:

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No insurer shall decline to issue or renew contracts of insurance on account of the geographic area within this State wherein is located the subject of the risk or the applicant's or insured's address, unless such insurer shall have previously filed with the commissioner a written statement designating such geographic area.

61A.

NO INSURER SHALL DECLINE TO ISSUE OR RENEW CONTRACTS OF MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE SOLELY ON ACCOUNT OF THE GEOGRAPHIC AREA WITHIN THIS STATE WHEREIN IS LOCATED THE SUBJECT OF THE RISK OR THE APPLICANT'S OR INSURED'S ADDRESS, UNLESS SUCH INSURER NOT LESS THAN SIXTY (60) DAYS PREVIOUSLY SHALL HAVE FILED WITH THE COMMISSIONER A WRITTEN STATEMENT DESIGNATING SUCH GEOGRAPHIC AREA, WHICH STATEMENT SHALL BE AN OPEN FILING WITH THE COMMISSIONER AS A MATTER OF PUBLIC RECORD.

SEC. 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, THAT SECTION 1 HEREIN SHALL NOT BE TAKEN TO EFFECT BUSINESS OR POLICY RISKS ASSIGNED TO INSURERS UNDER THE ASSIGNED RISK INSURANCE PLAN.

SEC. 2 3. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act shall take effect June 1, 1965.

Approved May 4, 1965.

CHAPTER 928
(House Bill 720)

AN ACT to repeal Sections 204 through 220, inclusive, of the Charter and Public Local Laws of Baltimore City (1949 Edition, being Article 4 of the Code of Public Local Laws of Maryland), title "Baltimore City," subtitle "Miscellaneous Local Laws," subheading "Taxicab Bureau," abolishing the Taxicab Bureau and eliminating the rules and regulations heretofore applicable to taxicabs in Baltimore City and not contained in the Public Service Commission Law of Maryland or regulations thereunder.