

INTENDS TO REFUSE ANY CLASS OF RENEWAL BUSINESS FROM THE AGENT OR BROKER, THE INSURER SHALL GIVE THE AGENT OR BROKER NOT LESS THAN 90 DAYS WRITTEN NOTICE. NOTWITHSTANDING ANY PROVISION OF THE AGREEMENT TO THE CONTRARY, THE INSURER SHALL CONTINUE FOR NOT LESS THAN ONE YEAR AFTER TERMINATION OF THE AGENCY AGREEMENT TO RENEW THROUGH SUCH AGENT OR BROKER ANY OF THE POLICIES WHICH HAVE NOT BEEN REPLACED WITH OTHER INSURERS AS EXPIRATIONS OCCUR. THIS SUBSECTION SHALL NOT APPLY TO LIFE, HEALTH, SURETY, WET MARINE AND TITLE INSURANCE POLICIES.

(C) NO INSURER SHALL CANCEL OR REFUSE TO RENEW THE POLICY OF THE INSURED BECAUSE OF THE TERMINATION OF THE AGENT'S OR BROKER'S CONTRACT.

[No] *(d) Notwithstanding any other provisions of this section, no insurer may cancel or amend a written agreement with an agent, or broker, or refuse to accept business from such agent or broker if the cancellation or amendment is arbitrary, capricious, unfair, discriminatory, or based in whole or part upon the race, creed, color, religion, national origin, place of residency of the agent or broker, his applicants or policyholders.*

240A. *Notice of intention to cancel or not to renew insurance.*

(a) Whenever an insurer gives notice of its intention to cancel or not to renew a policy of insurance other than life [or], health or motor vehicle liability insurance issued in this State as hereinafter required in subsection (c) hereof, or before it cancels any such policy of insurance for a reason other than for nonpayment of premium, the insurer shall notify the insured of his possible right to replace such insurance through the [Maryland automobile insurance plan, the] Maryland property insurance availability plan, or any other plan, if there be such, and he may be eligible therefor.

(b) The notice shall contain the current address and telephone number of the offices of such plan[s]. It shall be sent to the insured in the same manner and at the same time as the first written notice of cancellation or of intention not to renew given or required by law, regulation or contract.

(c) The insurer shall see that written notice of intention to cancel for a reason other than nonpayment of premium or notice of intention not to renew a policy issued in this State is sent to the insured not less than 45 days prior to the date of the proposed cancellation or expiration of the policy, as the case may be. Notice given the insured by an insurance broker or agent on behalf of the insurer shall be deemed to have been given by the insurer for the purposes of this subsection; provided, however, that no such notices shall be required where the agent or broker has replaced the insurance.

240AA. *Procedure for Cancellation, non-renewal, changes in premium or coverage on motor vehicle liability insurance.*

(a) ~~No~~ EXCEPT IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ARTICLE, NO insurer other than the Maryland Automobile Insurance Fund shall (i) cancel or fail to renew a policy of motor vehicle liability insurance issued in