

ALL OTHER PARTY STATES. NO WITHDRAWAL SHALL AFFECT ANY LIABILITY ALREADY INCURRED BY OR CHARGEABLE TO A PARTY STATE PRIOR TO THE TIME OF SUCH WITHDRAWAL.

5-711. CONSTRUCTION AND SEVERABILITY.

THIS COMPACT SHALL BE LIBERALLY CONSTRUED SO AS TO EFFECTUATE THE PURPOSES THEREOF. THE PROVISIONS OF THIS COMPACT SHALL BE SEVERABLE AND IF ANY PHRASE, CLAUSE, SENTENCE OR PROVISION OF THIS COMPACT IS DECLARED TO BE CONTRARY TO THE CONSTITUTION OF ANY STATE OR OF THE UNITED STATES OR THE APPLICABILITY THEREOF TO ANY GOVERNMENT, AGENCY, PERSON OR CIRCUMSTANCE IS HELD INVALID, THE VALIDITY OF THE REMAINDER OF THIS COMPACT AND THE APPLICABILITY THEREOF TO ANY GOVERNMENT, AGENCY, PERSON OR CIRCUMSTANCE SHALL NOT BE AFFECTED THEREBY. IF THIS COMPACT SHALL BE HELD CONTRARY TO THE CONSTITUTION OF ANY STATE PARTICIPATING HEREIN, THE COMPACT SHALL REMAIN IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT AS TO THE REMAINING PARTY STATES AND IN FULL FORCE AND EFFECT AS TO THE STATE AFFECTED AS TO ALL SEVERABLE MATTERS.

5-712.

CONSISTENT WITH LAW AND WITHIN AVAILABLE APPROPRIATIONS, THE DEPARTMENTS, AGENCIES, AND OFFICERS OF MARYLAND MAY COOPERATE WITH THE INSURANCE FUND ESTABLISHED BY THIS SUBTITLE.

5-713.

PURSUANT TO SECTION 5-704(H) OF THIS SUBTITLE, COPIES OF THE BYLAWS AND AMENDMENTS THERETO SHALL BE FILED WITH THE MARYLAND SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE.

5-714.

THE COMPACT ADMINISTRATOR FOR MARYLAND SHALL BE THE MARYLAND SECRETARY OF AGRICULTURE AND HIS DUTIES AS COMPACT ADMINISTRATOR SHALL BE DEEMED A REGULAR PART OF THE DUTIES OF HIS OFFICE.

5-715.

A REQUEST FOR APPLICATION OR ASSISTANCE FROM THE INSURANCE FUND PURSUANT TO SECTION 5-706 (B) OR SECTION 5-708 (A) OF THIS SUBTITLE MAY BE MADE BY THE GOVERNOR OF MARYLAND.

5-716.

AS USED IN THIS SUBTITLE WITH REFERENCE TO MARYLAND, THE TERM "EXECUTIVE HEAD" MEANS THE GOVERNOR.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1976.