SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed to apply to all personal and commercial lines of property and casualty insurance issued, delivered, or renewed on or after the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect January 1, 2007.

Enacted May 26, 2006.

## CHAPTER 581

(House Bill 583)

AN ACT concerning

## Surplus Lines Insurance - Compliance with Filing Requirement - Electronic Transmission

FOR the purpose of providing that certain documents required to be filed with regard to surplus lines insurance are in compliance with the filing requirement if they are transmitted electronically in a certain manner; and generally relating to surplus lines insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Insurance

Section 3-305

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2003 Replacement Volume and 2005 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## Article - Insurance

3-305.

A report, affidavit, or return that must be filed under this subtitle complies with the filing requirement if the report, affidavit, or return is:

- (1) mailed and postmarked by the United States Postal Service on or before the filing date; [or]
- (2) delivered on or before the filing date to a private delivery service recognized by the Commissioner, if the delivery is evidenced by a receipt; OR
- (3) TRANSMITTED ELECTRONICALLY ON OR BEFORE THE FILING DATE IN A MANNER APPROVED BY THE COMMISSIONER.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2006.