

(ii) allow the proposed action to be taken on the later of:

- 1. its proposed effective date; and
- 2. 30 days after the date of the determination.

(3) If the Commissioner finds ~~the proposed action OF THE INSURER to be THAT THE ACTUAL REASON FOR THE PROPOSED ACTION IS NOT STATED IN THE NOTICE OR THE PROPOSED ACTION IS NOT IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 27-501 OF THIS ARTICLE, THE INSURER'S FILED RATING PLAN, ITS UNDERWRITING STANDARDS, OR THE LAWFUL TERMS AND CONDITIONS OF THE POLICY RELATED TO A CANCELLATION, NONRENEWAL, PREMIUM INCREASE, OR REDUCTION IN COVERAGE, THE unjustified UNSUPPORTED BY THE INSURER'S UNDERWRITING STANDARDS,~~ the Commissioner SHALL:

(i) ~~shall~~ disallow the action; and

(ii) ~~IN THE COMMISSIONER'S SOLE DISCRETION,~~ may order the insurer to pay reasonable attorney fees incurred by the insured for representation at the hearing [as] IF the Commissioner ~~considers THE FEES appropriate~~ FINDS THAT THE INSURER'S CONDUCT IN MAINTAINING OR DEFENDING THE PROCEEDING WAS IN BAD FAITH OR THE INSURER ACTED WILLFULLY IN THE ABSENCE OF A BONA FIDE DISPUTE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2005.

Approved April 26, 2005.

CHAPTER 118

(Senate Bill 112)

AN ACT concerning

Property Tax - Exemption - The Maryland State Game and Fish Protective Association, Inc.

FOR the purpose of providing a State property tax exemption for property owned by The Maryland State Game and Fish Protective Association, Inc., and used to educate the public on hunting safety; and providing for the application of this Act.

BY adding to

Article - Tax - Property

Section 7-306

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Replacement Volume and 2004 Supplement)