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

Article 48A - Insurance Code

566.

- (a) As used in this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (b) "Attorney" means a person admitted to the bar and certified to practice law in the Court of Appeals of Maryland.
- (c) "Commissioner" means the State Insurance Commissioner of Maryland.
- (d) "Practice of law" by an attorney in Maryland has the definition given by the Court of Appeals of Maryland and includes the definition given in § 1 of Article 10 of the Code.
- (e) "Society" means the Legal Mutual Liability Insurance Society of Maryland created by § 568.

567.

- (a) The purpose of this subtitle is to provide a mechanism for the payment of indemnities to persons suffering injury arising out of the rendering of or the failure to render professional services by attorneys and to provide a mechanism for attorneys to obtain insurance against liability for injury due to the rendering of or failure to render any professional service, AND TO PROVIDE PROPERTY AND CASUALTY INSURANCE RELATED OR INCIDENTAL TO THE PRACTICE OF LAW, subject to the limitations and immunities provided in this subtitle [and subject to the provisions of subsection (b)].
- ((b) The provisions of this subtitle shall become effective upon a finding by the Commissioner that a substantial number of attorneys are or within six months will be unable to obtain legal