

CHAPTER 630

(Senate Bill 655)

AN ACT concerning

Insurance - Associations and Organizations - Pooling

FOR the purpose of giving certain associations and organizations the right to pool for the purpose of purchasing certain insurance; exempting certain associations and organizations from certain laws regulating insurance; authorizing certain public entities to pool together to purchase property insurance or to self-insure property risks; defining certain terms; and generally relating to pooling for the purpose of purchasing insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 48A - Insurance Code
Section 231 and 482B
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1986 Replacement Volume)

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

Article 48A - Insurance Code

231.

(a) No insurer, whether an authorized insurer or an unauthorized insurer, shall make available through any rating plan or form, property, casualty or surety insurance, to any firm, corporation, or association of individuals, any preferred rate or premium based upon any fictitious group of such firm, corporation, or association of individuals.

(b) No form or plan of insurance covering any group or combination of persons or risks shall be written or delivered within or without this State to cover persons or risks in this State at any preferred rate or on any form other than as offered to persons not in the group or combination and to the public generally, unless the form, plan of insurance, and the rates or premiums to be charged therefor have been submitted to and approved by the Commissioner as being not unfairly discriminatory, and as not otherwise being in conflict with subsection (a) above or with any provision of Subtitle 16 of this