that specifically, generally, or generally by types, as to specifically identified or unidentified existing or future interested stockholders or their affiliates, have been approved or exempted therefrom, IN WHOLE OR IN PART, by resolution of the board of directors of the corporation:

- (i) Prior to September 1, 1983 or such earlier date as may be irrevocably established by resolution of the board of directors; or
- (ii) If involving transactions with a particular interested stockholder or its existing or future affiliates, at any time prior to the [time that the interested stockholder first became an interested stockholder] DETERMINATION DATE.
- (2) Unless by its terms a resolution adopted under this subsection is made irrevocable, it may be altered or repealed by the board of directors, but this shall not affect any business combinations that have been consummated, or are the subject of an existing agreement entered into, prior to the alteration or repeal.
- (d) (1) Unless the charter or bylaws of the corporation specifically provides otherwise, the [requirements] PROVISIONS of § 3-602 OF THIS SUBTITLE do not apply to business combinations of a corporation that, on July 1, 1983, had an existing interested stockholder, whether a business combination is with the existing stockholder or with any other person that becomes an interested stockholder after July 1, 1983, or their present or future affiliates, unless, at any time after July 1, 1983, the board of directors of the corporation elects by resolution to be subject, in whole or in part, specifically, generally, or generally by types, as to specifically identified or unidentified interested stockholders, to the [requirements] PROVISIONS of § 3-602 OF THIS SUBTITLE.
- (2) The charter or bylaws of the corporation may provide that if the board of directors adopts a resolution under paragraph (1) of this subsection the resolution shall be subject to approval of the stockholders in the manner and by the vote specified in the charter or the bylaws.
- (3) An election under this subsection may be added to but may not be altered or repealed except by a charter amendment adopted by a vote of stockholders meeting the requirements of subsection (e)(1)(iii) of this section.
- (4) If a corporation elects under this subsection to be included within the provisions of this subtitle generally, without qualification or limitation, it shall file with the Department articles supplementary including a copy of the resolution making the election and a statement describing the