

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article – State Government

6-201.

(a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.

(b) "Fraud Division" means the Insurance Fraud Division.

(c) "Insurance fraud" means criminal activity involving:

(1) a violation of § 233 of [this article] ARTICLE 48A OF THE CODE;

(2) theft, as set out under Article 27, §§ 340 through 342 of the Code:

(i) from a person regulated under [this article] ARTICLE 48A OF THE CODE; or

(ii) by any person regulated under [this article] ARTICLE 48A OF THE CODE or by any officer, director, or employee of any person regulated under [this article] ARTICLE 48A OF THE CODE; and

(3) any other applicable crime of fraud set out under Article 27 of the Code that is committed by or against a person or entity regulated under [this article] ARTICLE 48A OF THE CODE.

6-207.

(a) There is an Insurance Fraud Advisory Council.

(b) The Council shall consist of [nine] 10 members.

(c) (1) Of the [nine] 10 members:

(i) one shall be a representative of the Maryland State Police;

(ii) one shall be a representative of the Office of the Attorney

General;

(iii) one shall be a representative of the Insurance Administration;

(iv) one shall be a representative of State's Attorneys in this State;

(v) three shall be representatives of insurers doing business in Maryland, including both domestic and foreign insurers; [and]

(vi) two shall be members of the public[.]; AND

(VII) ONE SHALL BE A REPRESENTATIVE OF ~~THE PROFESSIONAL~~ INSURANCE AGENTS DOING BUSINESS IN MARYLAND.

(2) The public members of the Council may not:

(i) be employed by or otherwise associated with any insurer;