

Article 48A - Insurance Code234A.

~~(f) (1) IN THIS SUBSECTION, THE TERMS "AFFECTED PROPERTY", "AUTHORIZED INSURER", AND "OWNER" HAVE THE RESPECTIVE MEANINGS STATED IN § 734 OF THIS ARTICLE.~~

~~(2) IN ADDITION TO THE PROVISIONS OF § 735 OF THIS ARTICLE, AN AUTHORIZED INSURER MAY NOT CANCEL OR REFUSE TO RENEW COVERAGE UNDER A POLICY OR CONTRACT TO AN OWNER OF AN AFFECTED PROPERTY THAT IS CERTIFIED TO BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE PROVISIONS OF PARTS III AND IV OF TITLE 6, SUBTITLE 8 OF THE ENVIRONMENT ARTICLE UNLESS THE INSURER'S REASON FOR CANCELLING OR REFUSING TO RENEW COVERAGE IS BASED SOLELY ON REASONABLE UNDERWRITING CRITERIA NOT RELATED TO THE PRESENCE OF A LEAD HAZARD IN THE AFFECTED PROPERTY. AN AUTHORIZED INSURER MAY CANCEL OR REFUSE TO RENEW THAT COVERAGE IF THE OWNER FAILS TO PROVIDE REASONABLE ACCESS TO THE AFFECTED PROPERTY FOR PURPOSES OF INSPECTION FOR THE PRESENCE OR CONDITION OF LEAD BY THE INSURER OR THE INSURER'S DESIGNEE.~~

~~(g) (1) At the request of the Commissioner, every insurer shall file a copy of its underwriting standards, including any amendments or supplements, with the Commissioner.~~

~~(2) The Commissioner may review and examine the underwriting standards to insure compliance with this article.~~

~~(3) This subsection applies to insurance underwriting standards for all health, life, disability, property, and casualty coverages provided in the State.~~

~~(4) The Commissioner shall adopt regulations to carry out the provisions of this subsection.~~

~~(5) Any insurer shall have the right to request a finding by the Commissioner that its underwriting standards filed with the Commissioner be considered confidential commercial information under § 10-617(d) of the State Government Article.~~

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~~(a) (1) Whenever an insurer gives notice of its intention to cancel or not to renew a policy of insurance other than life, health, motor vehicle liability insurance issued to any resident of a household in Maryland as set forth in § 240AA of this article, or surety insurance as defined in § 69 of this article issued in this State as required in paragraph (3) of this subsection, or before it cancels any such policy of insurance for a reason other than for nonpayment of premium, the insurer shall notify the insured of his possible right to replace such insurance through the Maryland property insurance availability plan, or any other plan, if there be such, and he may be eligible therefor.~~