

[(i)] (J) "Preexisting condition" means a condition for which medical advice or treatment was recommended by, or received from, a provider of health care services within 6 months prior to the effective date of coverage of the insured or certificate holder.

[(j)] (K) "Service benefit policy" means a long-term care insurance policy that provides for benefits based on the amount of expenses incurred, rather than on an indemnity basis.

643.

(a) An insurer may not advertise, market, or offer a policy, CERTIFICATE, or contract IN THE STATE as long-term care insurance or long-term nursing home insurance unless the policy or contract complies with the provisions of this subtitle.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1996.

Approved April 30, 1996.

CHAPTER 228

(House Bill 450)

AN ACT concerning

Somerset County - Property Tax Credit - Crisfield Area Chamber of Commerce

FOR the purpose of authorizing the governing body of Somerset County to grant, by law, a property tax credit against real property owned by the Crisfield Area Chamber of Commerce.

BY adding to

Article - Tax - Property

Section 9-321

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

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

Article - Tax - Property

9-321.

THE GOVERNING BODY OF SOMERSET COUNTY MAY GRANT, BY LAW, A PROPERTY TAX CREDIT UNDER THIS SECTION AGAINST COUNTY PROPERTY TAX IMPOSED ON REAL PROPERTY OWNED BY THE CRISFIELD AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1996.