

Article - Insurance

TITLE 1. DEFINITIONS; GENERAL PROVISIONS.

SUBTITLE 1. DEFINITIONS.

1-101. DEFINITIONS.

(A) IN GENERAL.

IN THIS ARTICLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

SPECIAL REVISOR'S NOTE: As enacted by Ch. 36, Acts of 1995, this subsection was new language added as the standard introductory language to a definition section. Chapter _____, Acts of 1997, repealed and reenacted this subsection without change.

(B) ADMINISTRATION.

"ADMINISTRATION" MEANS THE MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION.

SPECIAL REVISOR'S NOTE: As enacted by Ch. 36, Acts of 1995, this subsection was new language derived without substantive change from former Art. 48A, §§ 14(a) and 734(b). Chapter _____, Acts of 1997, repealed and reenacted this subsection without change.

The former limitation, "unless the context requires otherwise", was deleted by Ch. 36 as unnecessary because the full title of any other administration or department appears in the text when used in this revised article.

Former Art. 48A, § 5(2), which defined "Department" to mean the State Insurance Department of Maryland, was deleted by Ch. 36 as obsolete.

Former Art. 48A, § 492(d), which defined "Department" to mean "the Insurance Department, the Insurance Commissioner or his authorized representative", was deleted by Ch. 36 as obsolete and as misleading because the "Department" does not mean the "Commissioner".

Defined term: "Insurance" § 1-101

(C) AGENT.

(1) "AGENT" MEANS A PERSON THAT, FOR COMPENSATION, SOLICITS, PROCURES, NEGOTIATES, OR MAKES INSURANCE CONTRACTS, INCLUDING CONTRACTS FOR NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLANS, DENTAL PLAN ORGANIZATIONS, AND HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS, OR THE RENEWAL OR CONTINUANCE OF THESE INSURANCE CONTRACTS FOR PERSONS ISSUING THE INSURANCE CONTRACTS.

(2) "AGENT" DOES NOT INCLUDE:

(I) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO PERFORMS CLERICAL, STENOGRAPHIC, OR SIMILAR OFFICE DUTIES WHILE EMPLOYED BY AN AGENT OR INSURER,