within 30 days of the request to the Administration on a form prescribed by the Administration and certified by an insurer or agent.

- (4) It shall be prima facie evidence that the vehicle has been uninsured since the effective date of the vehicle's most recent registration if the vehicle owner:
- (i) Fails to respond within a 30-day period to a request for proof of insurance issued by the Administration under paragraph (3) of this subsection; or
- (ii) Responds within a 30-day period to a request for proof of insurance issued by the Administration under paragraph (3) of this subsection, but fails to prove coverage by the required security on the original date specified by the Administration under paragraph (2) of this subsection.
- (5) A vehicle owner who has maintained the required security, but who has failed to submit the required proof within the 30-day period, may submit the required proof to rebut the presumption made under paragraph (4) of this subsection.
- (6) A vehicle owner against whom a presumption has been made under paragraph (4) of this subsection may submit proof that the owner's lapse in required security has been for a period of shorter duration than the period specified in the presumption.
- (7) Nothing in this section prevents the Administration from assessing a penalty calculated upon the entire period of a lapse in required security since the effective date of the vehicle's most recent registration.
- (b) (1) The Administration shall periodically select for verification any statement of the required security by a person who has previously been convicted of violating the provisions of this subtitle, or whose statements of required security have previously been found to be incorrect.
- (2) The Administration may determine the accuracy of information relating to proof of required security satisfying the provisions of this subtitle.]

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 1 of this Act shall take effect June 1, 1999 and shall remain effective through December 31, 1999.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That Section 2 of this Act shall take effect January 1, 2000.

Approved May 13, 1999.

CHAPTER 489

(House Bill 1096)

AN ACT concerning

Talbot County - Property Tax Credit - Real Property Owned or Occupied by County Businesses