

CHAPTER 469

(House Bill 362)

AN ACT concerning

Maryland Insurance Administration - Adoption of Regulations

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to adopt certain regulations concerning privacy information and the ability of an individual to engage in or practice in the business of insurance; prohibiting certain regulations from taking effect before a certain date; and generally relating to the Commissioner's authority to adopt regulations.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Insurance

Section 2-109

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Volume and 2000 Supplement)

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

Article - Insurance

2-109.

(a) The Commissioner may adopt regulations to:

(1) carry out this article;

(2) establish, maintain, and administer reserves under Title 3, Subtitle 2A of the Courts Article; and

(3) regulate the solicitation by a domestic stock insurer or other person of proxies, consents, and authorizations with respect to equity securities of the domestic stock insurer.

(b) (1) The Commissioner shall:

(i) compile and keep in the office of the Commissioner a set of current regulations adopted under this article; and

(ii) make a copy of the regulations for anyone who asks for one.

(2) The Commissioner may set a fee to cover the cost of making and mailing a copy of the current regulations.

(c) (1) By regulation, the Commissioner shall establish or direct the establishment of a toll-free telephone number to help consumers with and educate consumers about the purchase of private passenger automobile insurance.

(2) The Commissioner: