

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2001.

May 17, 2001

The Honorable Casper R. Taylor, Jr.  
Speaker of the House  
State House  
Annapolis MD 21401

Dear Mr. Speaker:

In accordance with Article II, Section 17 of the Maryland Constitution, I have today vetoed House Bill 149 – Health Insurance – Standard Provisions...

This bill repeals two standard contract provisions that may be used in individual health insurance policies. The two provisions relate to an insurer's liability for losses incurred: (1) during the insured's commission of or attempt to commit a felony; and (2) while the insured was intoxicated or under the influence of any narcotic.

Senate Bill 132, which was passed by the General Assembly and signed by me, accomplishes the same purpose. Therefore, it is not necessary for me to sign House Bill 149.

Sincerely,  
Parris N. Glendening  
Governor

**House Bill No. 149**

AN ACT concerning

**Health Insurance – Standard Provisions**

FOR the purpose of repealing certain standard provisions allowed in certain individual health insurance contracts; making certain technical changes; providing for a delayed effective date; and generally relating to certain policy provisions in individual health insurance contracts.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments;

Article – Insurance

Section 12-203(g) and 15-201(e)(3)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Volume and 2000 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Insurance

Section 15-201(e)(2), 15-202(a), and 15-1103(b)

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