

(C) THE INADVERTENT FAILURE TO DELIVER NOTICE BY ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION DOES NOT INVALIDATE ANY MEETING OR OTHER ACTION.

11B-113.2.

(A) NOTWITHSTANDING LANGUAGE CONTAINED IN THE GOVERNING DOCUMENTS OF THE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION, THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OR OTHER GOVERNING BODY OF THE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION MAY AUTHORIZE LOT OWNERS TO SUBMIT A VOTE OR PROXY BY ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION IF THE ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION CONTAINS INFORMATION THAT VERIFIES THAT THE VOTE OR PROXY IS AUTHORIZED BY THE LOT OWNER OR THE LOT OWNER'S PROXY.

(B) IF THE GOVERNING DOCUMENTS OF THE HOMEOWNERS ASSOCIATION REQUIRE VOTING BY SECRET BALLOT AND THE ANONYMITY OF VOTING BY ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION CANNOT BE GUARANTEED, VOTING BY ELECTRONIC TRANSMISSION SHALL BE PERMITTED IF LOT OWNERS HAVE THE OPTION OF CASTING ANONYMOUS PRINTED BALLOTS.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2004.

Approved May 11, 2004.

CHAPTER 287

(Senate Bill 570)

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance - Small Group Market - Limited Health Benefit Plan

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Health Care Commission to adopt regulations that specify the Limited Health Benefit Plan to be offered in the small group health insurance market; establishing that a purpose of the Commission is to develop a certain set of benefits to be included in the Limited Health Benefit Plan; ~~establishing an exception for the Limited Plan to the prohibition on a person offering a health benefit plan without offering at least the Comprehensive Standard Health Benefit Plan~~; establishing an exception for the Limited Health Benefit Plan to the prohibition on a carrier offering a health benefit plan that has fewer benefits than those in the ~~Standard Plan Comprehensive Standard Health Benefit Plan~~; providing that a carrier may offer the Limited Health Benefit Plan only to certain small employers; ~~requiring certain benefits to be included in the Limited Plan~~; requiring the Limited Health Benefit Plan to include certain deductibles and cost-sharing; requiring the Commission to take certain action in establishing cost-sharing as part of the Limited Health Benefit Plan; ~~requiring carriers that offer insurance in the small group market to offer the Standard Plan to certain small employers~~; ~~requiring certain carriers that offer insurance in the small group market to offer the Limited Health Benefit Plan to certain small employers~~; authorizing certain