

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article - Insurance
Section 17-209
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2006 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

Article - Insurance

17-209.

(a) (1) Insurance under a policy of group life insurance issued in accordance with §§ 17-201 through 17-205 of this subtitle may be extended to cover the spouse[and], **DOMESTIC PARTNER, OR** dependent children of each insured employee or member who elects to obtain the coverage.

(2) The policy may provide that the term "dependent children" includes:

(i) an insured employee's or member's child under 18 years of age; and

(ii) an insured employee's or member's child 18 years of age or older who attends an educational institution and relies on the insured employee or member for financial support.

(3) THE TERM "DOMESTIC PARTNER" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN THE POLICY.

[(3)] (4) The insurance on the life of a spouse, **DOMESTIC PARTNER**, or child may not exceed the amount of the insurance on the life of the insured employee or member.

(b) The policyholder shall pay the premium for the insurance on the spouse, **DOMESTIC PARTNER**, or child:

(1) wholly from the funds of the policyholder or funds contributed by the policyholder;

(2) wholly from funds contributed by the insured employees or members; or