

BY adding to

Article - Insurance

Section 27-303(9), 27-304(18), and 27-1001 and the subtitle "Subtitle 10.

Property and Casualty Insurance - First-Party Claims"

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2003 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 1 - Rules of Interpretation

32.

(a) Except as provided in subsection (b) of this section, in a statute providing for de novo judicial review or appeal of a quasi-judicial administrative agency action, the term "de novo" means judicial review based upon an administrative record and such additional evidence as would be authorized by § 10-222(f) and (g) of the State Government Article.

(b) This section does not apply to review of cases from:

(1) The Workers' Compensation Commission; [or]

(2) The Health Care Alternative Dispute Resolution Office; OR

(3) THE MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION UNDER § 27-1001 OF THE INSURANCE ARTICLE.

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings

SUBTITLE 17. LIABILITY OF INSURER.

3-1701.

(A) (1) IN THIS SUBTITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.

(2) "CASUALTY INSURANCE" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 1-101 OF THE INSURANCE ARTICLE.

(3) "COMMERCIAL INSURANCE" HAS THE MEANING STATED IN § 27-601 OF THE INSURANCE ARTICLE.