shall not be regarded as in derogation of any power now existing; and all Acts of the General Assembly of Maryland heretofore passed authorizing the County to borrow money are hereby continued to the extent that the powers contained in such Acts have not been exercised, and nothing contained in this Act may be construed to impair, in any way, the validity of any bonds that may have been issued by the County under the authority of any said Acts, and the validity of the bonds is hereby ratified, confirmed, and approved. This Act, being necessary for the welfare of the inhabitants of Carroll County, shall be liberally construed to effect the purposes hereof. All Acts and parts of Acts inconsistent with the provisions of this Act are hereby repealed to the extent of such inconsistency.

SECTION 10. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect June 1, 2007.

Approved by the Governor, April 10, 2007.

CHAPTER 59

(Senate Bill 952)

AN ACT concerning

Health Insurance - Small Group Market - Choice of Policies for Sole Proprietors

FOR the purpose of providing that certain individuals enrolled on a certain date in certain health benefit plans may remain covered under any policy offered by certain health benefit plans health insurance carriers to small employers under certain circumstances; requiring certain health insurance carriers to establish annual open enrollment periods for certain individuals; defining-a certain term; and generally relating to health insurance policies for sole proprietors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments, Chapter 347 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2005 Section 2

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

Chapter 347 of the Acts of 2005

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That