

[(2)](II) Any county may provide an amount greater than its share under the cooperative program, but the State may not share in the excess.

~~SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be applicable beginning with the fiscal year that begins on July 1, 1999.~~

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect ~~October~~ July 1, 1998.

Approved May 21, 1998.

CHAPTER 576

(Senate Bill 8)

AN ACT concerning

Private Passenger Motor Vehicle Insurance - Discrimination in Underwriting - Credit History of Applicant

FOR the purpose of prohibiting an insurer from refusing to underwrite a private passenger motor vehicle insurance risk solely because of the credit history of the applicant or named insured; authorizing an insurer to request a certain finding by the Insurance Commissioner that certain programs or models used by the insurer for a certain purpose be considered certain confidential information; requiring the Commissioner to submit a certain report by a certain date; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to discrimination in underwriting in private passenger motor vehicle insurance.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Insurance

Section 11-307(c) and 27-501(e)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1997 Volume)

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

Article - Insurance

11-307.

(c) (1) EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN PARAGRAPH (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION, EACH [Each] filing and any supporting information filed under this subtitle shall be open to public inspection as soon as filed.

(2) On request and payment of a reasonable charge, a person may obtain copies of a filing and any supporting information.