SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, pursuant to Article III, Section 35 of the Constitution of Maryland, this Act may not be construed to extend or apply to the salary or compensation of the State's Attorney for Dorehester County in office on the effective date of this Act, but the provisions of this Act concerning the salary or compensation of the State's Attorney shall take effect at the beginning of the next following term-of office.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That pursuant to Article III, Section 35 of the Constitution of Maryland, this Act may not be construed to increase or diminish the salary or compensation of the incumbent or any future State's Attorney for Dorchester County during the term of office of the State's Attorney.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1998.

Approved May 21, 1998.

CHAPTER 746

(House Bill 1320)

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicle Rental Insurance Companies - Certificate of Authority

Exceptions Requirements to Offer or Sell Insurance

FOR the purpose of elarifying that a certificate of authority is not required for an insurer to engage in transactions involving certain insurance coverages offered by a motor vehicle rental company to a motor vehicle renter; clarifying that a certificate of qualification is not required for insurance agents and brokers to engage in transactions involving certain insurance coverages offered by a motor vehicle rental company to a motor vehicle renter; making this Act an emergency measure; and generally relating to exceptions to the requirement that an insurer possess a certificate of authority authorizing motor vehicle rental companies to offer for sale and sell to renters of motor vehicles certain insurance policies under certain circumstances; prohibiting motor vehicle rental companies and any of their employees from advertising, representing, or otherwise holding themselves out in a certain manner to the general public; requiring a certain study by the Insurance Commissioner; requiring the Insurance Commissioner to submit a certain report by a certain date; providing for the effective date of this Act; providing for the termination of this Act; and generally relating to authorizing motor vehicle rental companies to offer for sale and sell certain insurance policies to renters.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments;

Article Insurance
Section 4 101 and 10 102
Annotated Code of Maryland