

**Health Insurance – Small Group Market – Self-Employed Individuals –
Sunset Extension**

FOR the purpose of extending the termination date of a certain provision until a certain date; and generally relating to health insurance policies for self-employed individuals in the small group market.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Chapter 347 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2005, as amended by
Chapter 59 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 2007
Section 2

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
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Section 3

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Section 4

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, as amended by Chapter 59 of the Acts of 2007

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That each individual enrolled on September 30, 2005 in a health benefit plan offered by a carrier under Title 15, Subtitle 12 of the Insurance Article may at the option of the enrollee remain covered under any policy issued by the carrier to small employers and selected by the enrollee at renewal, subject to the termination provisions under § 15-1212(b) of the Insurance Article, provided the enrollee continues to:

- (1) work and reside in the State; and
- (2) is a self-employed individual organized as a sole proprietorship or in any other legally recognized manner that a self-employed individual may organize:
 - (i) a substantial part of whose income derives from a trade or business through which the individual has attempted to earn taxable income;
 - (ii) who has filed the appropriate Internal Revenue form or forms and schedule for the previous taxable year; and