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(a) The withholding or withdrawal of life-sustaining procedures in accordance with the provisions of this subtitle shall not, for any purpose, constitute a suicide.

(b) (1) The making of an advance directive under this subtitle does not affect the sale, procurement, or issuance of any policy of life insurance, nor shall it be deemed to modify the terms of an existing policy of life insurance.

(2) A policy of life insurance shall not be legally impaired or invalidated by the withholding or withdrawal of life-sustaining procedures from an insured patient in accordance with this subtitle, notwithstanding any term of the policy to the contrary.

(c) A person may not be required to make an advance directive as a condition for being insured for, or receiving, health care services.

(d) Any declaration of a patient or any designation of an agent made prior to October 1, 1993 shall be given full force and effect as provided in this subtitle.

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