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## By: Senator Kasemeyer

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CHAPTER\_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

# Insurance - Motor Vehicles - Reimbursement for the Rental of Specially Equipped Motor Vehicles

4 FOR the purpose of requiring an insurer that issues, sells, or delivers a motor vehicle

- 5 insurance policy in this State that covers a motor vehicle that is specially
- 6 equipped for the transportation of or operation by an individual with a disability
- 7 to provide a, upon a certain request, to make available at a certain time a
- 8 <u>certain</u> reimbursement rate that is sufficient to allow allows an insured to rent
- 9 a similarly equipped motor vehicle under certain circumstances; and generally
- 10 relating to motor vehicle insurance.

11 BY adding to

- 12 Article Insurance
- 13 Section 19-516
- 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 15 (1997 Volume)

### 16 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

17 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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### **Article - Insurance**

19 19-516.

20 (A) THIS SECTION APPLIES TO A MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE POLICY ISSUED,
21 SOLD, OR DELIVERED IN THIS STATE THAT COVERS A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT IS
22 SPECIALLY EQUIPPED FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF OR OPERATION BY AN

23 INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY.

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(B) IF A MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE POLICY DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A)
 OF THIS SECTION PROVIDES FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF THE COSTS OF A RENTAL
 MOTOR VEHICLE, THE INSURER SHALL PROVIDE, UPON REQUEST OF THE APPLICANT
 OR INSURED, MAKE AVAILABLE AT THE TIME OF THE ISSUANCE OR RENEWAL OF THE
 POLICY A DAILY REIMBURSEMENT RATE THAT IS SUFFICIENT OF UP TO \$100, FOR A
 MAXIMUM OF \$1,500 PER POLICY PERIOD, TO ALLOW THE INSURED TO RENT A MOTOR
 VEHICLE THAT IS EQUIPPED SIMILARLY TO THE COVERED MOTOR VEHICLE.

8 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 9 October 1, 1998.