SENATE BILL 107

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9lr1036 SB 190/98 - FIN By: Senator Kasemeyer Introduced and read first time: January 22, 1999 Assigned to: Finance Committee Report: Favorable with amendments Senate action: Adopted Read second time: March 5, 1999 CHAPTER 1 AN ACT concerning 2 Insurance - Motor Vehicles - Reimbursement for the Rental of Specially 3 **Equipped Motor Vehicles** 4 FOR the purpose of requiring an insurer that issues, sells, or delivers a motor vehicle insurance policy in this State that covers a motor vehicle that is specially 5 equipped for the transportation of or operation by an individual with a 6 7 disability, upon a certain request, to make available at a certain time a certain reimbursement rate that allows an insured to rent a similarly equipped motor 8 vehicle under certain circumstances; and generally relating to motor vehicle 9 10 insurance. 11 BY adding to Article - Insurance 12 13 Section 19-516 14 Annotated Code of Maryland 15 (1997 Volume and 1998 Supplement) SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF 16 17 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows: 18 **Article - Insurance** 19 19-516. THIS SECTION APPLIES TO A MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE POLICY ISSUED, 20 (A) 21 SOLD, OR DELIVERED IN THE STATE THAT COVERS A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT IS 22 SPECIALLY EQUIPPED FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF OR OPERATION BY AN

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23 INDIVIDUAL WITH A DISABILITY.

- 1 (B) IF A MOTOR VEHICLE INSURANCE POLICY DESCRIBED IN SUBSECTION (A)
- 2 OF THIS SECTION PROVIDES FOR REIMBURSEMENT OF THE COSTS OF A RENTAL
- 3 MOTOR VEHICLE, THE INSURER SHALL, UPON REQUEST OF THE APPLICANT OR
- 4 INSURED, MAKE AVAILABLE FOR THE APPROPRIATE PREMIUM AT THE TIME OF THE
- 5 ISSUANCE OR RENEWAL OF THE POLICY A DAILY REIMBURSEMENT RATE OF UP TO
- 6 \$100, FOR A MAXIMUM OF \$1,500 PER POLICY PERIOD, TO ALLOW THE INSURED TO
- 7 RENT A MOTOR VEHICLE THAT IS EQUIPPED SIMILARLY TO THE COVERED MOTOR
- 8 VEHICLE.
- 9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
- 10 October 1, 1999.