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A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Property and Casualty Insurance - Proof of Insurance**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring an authorized insurer to provide certain proof of  
4 insurance on request of an insured or person with an insurable interest in  
5 property; and generally relating to proof of insurance under property and  
6 casualty insurance.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article - Insurance  
9 Section 12-301  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (1997 Volume and 1999 Supplement)

12 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF  
13 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

14 **Article - Insurance**

15 12-301.

16 (a) In this section, "insurable interest" means an actual, lawful, and  
17 substantial economic interest in the safety or preservation of the subject of the  
18 insurance against loss, destruction, or pecuniary damage or impairment to the  
19 property.

20 (b) A contract of property insurance or a contract of insurance of an interest in  
21 or arising from property is enforceable only for the benefit of a person with an  
22 insurable interest in the property at the time of the loss.

23 (c) An insurable interest in property is measured by the extent of possible  
24 harm to the insured from loss, injury, or impairment of the property.

25 (D) ON REQUEST OF AN INSURED OR A PERSON WITH AN INSURABLE  
26 INTEREST IN PROPERTY UNDER THIS SECTION, AN AUTHORIZED INSURER SHALL  
27 PROVIDE WRITTEN PROOF OF INSURANCE THAT CONSISTS OF:

- 1           (1)     THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE INSURED;
- 2           (2)     A DESCRIPTION OF THE SUBJECT OF INSURANCE;
- 3           (3)     A DESCRIPTION AND THE AMOUNT, IF APPLICABLE, OF THE  
4 INSURANCE COVERAGE;
- 5           (4)     THE INCEPTION AND EXPIRATION DATES OF COVERAGE; AND
- 6           (5)     THE NAME AND ADDRESS OF THE PERSON WITH AN INSURABLE  
7 INTEREST.

8     SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
9 October 1, 2000.