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CHAPTER _____

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Act of Terrorism - Determination Whether Criminal Act or Act of War**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Governor in consultation with certain public
 4 officials to determine within a certain period of time whether an act of terrorism
 5 is a criminal act or an act of war for purposes of health insurance coverage;
 6 defining a certain term; and generally relating to health insurance coverage
 7 following an act of terrorism.

8 BY adding to

9 Article - Public Safety

10 Section 14-308.1

11 Annotated Code of Maryland

12 (2003 Volume and 2005 Supplement)

13 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

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

15 **Article - Public Safety**

16 14-308.1.

17 (A) IN THIS SECTION, "ACT OF WAR" MEANS AN ACT OCCURRING IN THE
 18 COURSE OF:

19 (1) A DECLARED WAR;

1 (2) AN ARMED CONFLICT, WHETHER OR NOT WAR HAS BEEN DECLARED,
2 BETWEEN TWO OR MORE NATIONS; OR

3 (3) AN ARMED CONFLICT BETWEEN MILITARY FORCES OF ANY ORIGIN.

4 (B) WITHIN 30 DAYS AFTER AN ACT OF TERRORISM TAKES PLACE, THE
5 GOVERNOR, IN CONSULTATION WITH THE SECRETARY OF HEALTH AND MENTAL
6 HYGIENE, THE MARYLAND INSURANCE COMMISSIONER, AND THE ADJUTANT
7 GENERAL, SHALL DETERMINE WHETHER THE ACT OF TERRORISM IS A CRIMINAL ACT
8 OR AN ACT OF WAR FOR PURPOSES OF HEALTH INSURANCE COVERAGE.

9 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
10 October 1, 2006.