# **Department of Legislative Services**

Maryland General Assembly 2006 Session

#### FISCAL AND POLICY NOTE

House Bill 583 (Delegate Moe)

Economic Matters Finance

#### Surplus Lines Insurance - Compliance with Filing Requirement - Electronic Transmission

This bill authorizes a surplus lines insurer to electronically transmit a report, affidavit, or return that must be filed with the Maryland Insurance Commissioner under the provisions governing surplus lines insurance if the report, affidavit, or return is transmitted on or before the filing date in a manner approved by the Commissioner.

### **Fiscal Summary**

**State Effect:** Any costs associated with accepting electronic filings are minimal and could be absorbed within the existing budgeted resources of the Maryland Insurance Administration.

Local Effect: None.

**Small Business Effect:** Minimal.

### **Analysis**

**Current Law:** A report, affidavit, or return that must be filed by a surplus lines insurer under the provisions governing surplus lines insurance complies with the filing requirements if it is: (1) mailed and postmarked on or before the filing date; or (2) delivered on or before the filing date to a private delivery service recognized by the Commissioner, if the delivery is evidenced by a receipt.

## **Additional Information**

**Prior Introductions:** None.

**Cross File:** SB 377 (Senator Astle) – Finance.

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