

CHAPTER 11

(House Bill 45)

An Act to add new Section 176A to Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Motor Vehicles," subtitle "Unsatisfied Claim and Judgment Fund," to follow immediately after Section 176 thereof, to authorize the Unsatisfied Claim and Judgment Fund Board to provide by rule or regulation for the submission of proof of insurance under the Fund, relating to the manner of submission of proof of insurance, providing penalties for violations, and relating generally to proof of insurance under the Unsatisfied Claim and Judgment Fund.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That new Section 176A be and it is hereby added to Article 66½ of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Motor Vehicles," subtitle "Unsatisfied Claim and Judgment Fund," to follow immediately after Section 176 thereof, to read as follows:

176A.

(a) *The Board is authorized by rule or regulation to require that all persons with insured motor vehicles shall submit proof of such insurance on forms which shall be designated by the Board. The Board may also require the use of and designate such other forms as may be necessary to show cancellations of insurance, reinstatement of insurance and any other information required by the Board to effectuate the purposes of this subtitle. The Board shall also prescribe the manner of filing the forms and the persons who may file such forms.*

(b) *In its discretion, the Board in lieu of requiring the filing of proof of insurance by forms as provided in subsection (a), may require the inclusion of the information contained on the forms as a part of the applications for annual motor vehicle registrations.*

(c) *As used in subsection (a) above, the word "person" shall include natural persons, copartnerships, associations, corporations and governmental bodies. The words "insured motor vehicles" shall mean a motor vehicle as to which there is in force a liability policy meeting the requirements of Section 122 of this article, or a motor vehicle which is owned by the holder of a certificate of self-insurance issued under this article.*

(d) *The Board shall include in any rules and regulations adopted under subsection (a) above penalties for violations of the rules and regulations so adopted. The penalties shall not exceed those provided in Section 177 hereof.*

SEC. 2. *And be it further enacted,* That this Act is hereby declared to be an emergency measure and necessary for the immediate preservation of the public health and safety, and having been passed by a yea and nay vote supported by three-fifths of the members elected to each of the two houses of the General Assembly, the same shall take effect from the date of its passage.

Approved March 13, 1964.