

chemical or physical processing, and the cleaning, concentrating, or other processing or preparation, loading of coal at or near the mine site.

(3) "OPEN-PIT MINING", "STRIP MINING", OR "SURFACE COAL MINING" DO NOT INCLUDE THE INCIDENTAL EXTRACTION OF COAL AT A LEVEL THAT DOES NOT EXCEED WITHIN ANY CALENDAR YEAR 16 2/3 PERCENT OF THE TOTAL CUMULATIVE PRODUCTION OF COAL AND OTHER MINERALS REMOVED FROM A MINING AREA FOR PURPOSES OF BONA FIDE SALE OR REASONABLE COMMERCIAL USE.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1999.

Approved May 27, 1999.

CHAPTER 628

(House Bill 372)

AN ACT concerning

Motor Vehicle Rental Companies - Authority to Sell or Offer Insurance to Renters

FOR the purpose of altering a certain termination provision relating to the authority of motor vehicle rental companies to sell or offer insurance to renters under certain circumstances; requiring a motor vehicle rental company to hold a ~~limited~~ special restricted certificate of qualification in order to sell or offer insurance to a renter under certain circumstances; requiring the Maryland Insurance Commissioner to issue a ~~limited~~ special restricted certificate of qualification to a motor vehicle rental company under certain circumstances; requiring a motor vehicle rental company to perform certain duties as a condition to receiving a ~~limited~~ special restricted certificate of qualification, including making available to a renter certain disclosures and providing certain training to employees of the motor vehicle rental company; establishing the primacy of an insurance policy sold by a motor vehicle rental company under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commissioner to suspend, revoke, or refuse to renew a ~~limited~~ special restricted certificate of qualification under certain circumstances; authorizing the Commissioner to adopt certain regulations; defining certain terms; ~~making~~ providing for a delayed effective date for certain provisions of this Act subject to a certain contingency; requiring the Commissioner to report by a certain time on certain compensation packages; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to the authority of motor vehicle rental companies to sell or offer insurance to renters of motor vehicles.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Chapter 746 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1998

Section 3