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MD REVISES EXEMPT COMMERCIAL POLICYHOLDER CERTIFICATION

BACKGROUND

The Maryland Insurance Administration recently issued Bulletin 06-23 which replaces Bulletin 00-21 dealing with exempt commercial policyholders. HB 245, effective October 1, 2006, amends Section 11-206(j) of the Maryland Insurance Article to reduce the annual aggregate property and casualty premium from \$75,000 to \$25,000. All of the other requirements of Section 11-206(j) must still be met.

CERTIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

Bulletin No. 06-23 provided a revised sample of the "Certification as an Exempt Policyholder" reflecting the threshold change to \$25,000.

The Bulletin reminds insurers that the form used for certification of eligibility must be filed with and approved by the Maryland Insurance Administration before it can be used by an insurer. The sample provided in the Bulletin will be approved if properly filed by an insurer.

We are available to assist you in drafting and filing the required certification of eligibility.

AVAILABILITY

Bulletin 06-23 and the sample certification may be accessed on the Maryland Insurance Administration's website at: <http://www.mdinsurance.state.md.us/documents/BulletinP&C06-23-HB245.pdf>

QUESTIONS

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