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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Insurance Carriers and Managed Care Organizations – Cybersecurity**  
3 **Standards**

4 FOR the purpose of establishing certain cybersecurity standards applicable to insurance  
5 carriers, including health maintenance organizations and third-party  
6 administrators; requiring a carrier to take certain actions related to cybersecurity,  
7 including developing, implementing, and maintaining a certain information security  
8 program, identifying certain threats, and establishing a certain incident response  
9 plan; requiring a carrier, under certain circumstances, to notify the Maryland  
10 Insurance Commissioner that a cybersecurity event has occurred; establishing that  
11 certain documents, materials, and information are confidential and privileged, not  
12 subject to the Maryland Public Information Act, subpoena, and discovery, and not  
13 admissible as evidence in certain actions; prohibiting certain persons from being  
14 allowed or required to testify in certain proceedings; requiring the Commissioner to  
15 maintain as confidential or privileged certain documents, materials, and  
16 information; applying certain requirements relating to cybersecurity to managed  
17 care organizations; and generally relating to insurance carriers and managed care  
18 organizations and the security of information.

19 BY adding to

20 Article – Health – General

21 Section ~~19-706(p)~~ 15-102.3(j), ~~19-706(p)~~, and 19-729(a)(13)

22 Annotated Code of Maryland

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EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



1 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

2 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
 3 Article – Health – General  
 4 Section 19–729(a)(11) and (12)  
 5 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 6 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

7 BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,  
 8 Article – Health – General  
 9 Section 19–729(b)  
 10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 11 (2019 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

12 BY repealing  
 13 Article – Insurance  
 14 Section 4–406  
 15 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 16 (2017 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

17 BY adding to  
 18 Article – Insurance  
 19 Section 8–321.2; and 33–101 through ~~33–108~~ 33–109 to be under the new title “Title  
 20 33. Insurance Data Security”  
 21 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 22 (2017 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

23 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
 24 Article – Insurance  
 25 Section 14–102(g)  
 26 Annotated Code of Maryland  
 27 (2017 Replacement Volume and 2021 Supplement)

28 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,  
 29 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

30 **Article – Health – General**

31 15–102.3.

32 **(J) THE PROVISIONS OF § 33–105(F) OF THE INSURANCE ARTICLE APPLY**  
 33 **TO MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATIONS.**

34 19–706.

35 **(P) THE PROVISIONS OF TITLE 33 OF THE INSURANCE ARTICLE APPLY TO**  
 36 **HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATIONS.**

1 19-729.

2 (a) A health maintenance organization may not:

3 (11) Fail to comply with the provisions of Title 15, Subtitle 10A, 10B, 10C,  
4 or 10D or § 2-112.2 of the Insurance Article; [or]

5 (12) Violate any provision of § 19-712.5 of this subtitle; OR

6 **(13) VIOLATE ANY PROVISION OF TITLE 33 OF THE INSURANCE**  
7 **ARTICLE.**

8 (b) If any health maintenance organization violates this section, the  
9 Commissioner may pursue any one or more of the courses of action described in § 19-730  
10 of this subtitle.

11 **Article – Insurance**

12 [4-406.

13 (a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated.

14 (2) “Breach of the security of a system” has the meaning stated in §  
15 14-3504 of the Commercial Law Article.

16 (3) “Carrier” means:

17 (i) an insurer;

18 (ii) a nonprofit health service plan;

19 (iii) a health maintenance organization;

20 (iv) a dental organization;

21 (v) a managed care organization;

22 (vi) a managed general agent; and

23 (vii) a third party administrator.

24 (4) “Personal information” has the meaning stated in § 14-3501 of the  
25 Commercial Law Article.

1 (b) (1) A carrier shall notify the Commissioner on a form and in a manner  
 2 approved by the Commissioner that a breach of the security of a system has occurred if the  
 3 carrier:

4 (i) conducts an investigation required under § 14–3504(b) or (c) of  
 5 the Commercial Law Article; and

6 (ii) determines that the breach of the security of the system creates  
 7 a likelihood that personal information has been or will be misused.

8 (2) The carrier shall provide the notice required under paragraph (1) of this  
 9 subsection at the same time the carrier provides notice to the Office of the Attorney General  
 10 under § 14–3504(h) of the Commercial Law Article.

11 (c) Compliance with this section does not relieve a carrier from a duty to comply  
 12 with any other requirements of federal law or Title 14 of the Commercial Law Article  
 13 relating to the protection and privacy of personal information.]

14 **8–321.2.**

15 **A THIRD–PARTY ADMINISTRATOR SHALL COMPLY WITH TITLE 33 OF THIS**  
 16 **ARTICLE.**

17 14–102.

18 (g) A corporation without capital stock organized for the purpose of establishing,  
 19 maintaining, and operating a nonprofit health service plan through which health care  
 20 providers provide health care services to subscribers to the plan under contracts that entitle  
 21 each subscriber to certain health care services shall be governed and regulated by:

22 (1) this subtitle;

23 (2) Title 2, Subtitle 2 of this article and §§ 1–206, 3–127, and 12–210 of this  
 24 article;

25 (3) Title 2, Subtitle 5 of this article;

26 (4) §§ 4–113, 4–114, [4–406,] and 4–503 of this article;

27 (5) Title 5, Subtitles 1, 2, 3, 4, and 5 of this article;

28 (6) Title 7 of this article, except for § 7–706 and Subtitle 2 of Title 7;

29 (7) Title 9, Subtitles 1, 2, and 4 of this article;

30 (8) Title 10, Subtitle 1 of this article;

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(9) Title 27 of this article; [and]

**(10) TITLE 33 OF THIS ARTICLE; AND**

~~[(10)]~~ **(11)** any other provision of this article that:

(i) is expressly referred to in this subtitle;

(ii) expressly refers to this subtitle; or

(iii) expressly refers to nonprofit health service plans or persons subject to this subtitle.

**TITLE 33. INSURANCE DATA SECURITY.**

**33-101.**

**(A) IN THIS TITLE THE FOLLOWING WORDS HAVE THE MEANINGS INDICATED.**

**(B) “AUTHORIZED INDIVIDUAL” MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL:**

**(1) KNOWN TO AND SCREENED BY THE CARRIER; AND**

**(2) FOR WHOM THE CARRIER HAS DETERMINED IT TO BE NECESSARY AND APPROPRIATE THAT THE INDIVIDUAL HAVE ACCESS TO THE NONPUBLIC INFORMATION HELD BY THE CARRIER AND ITS INFORMATION SYSTEMS.**

**(C) (1) “CARRIER” MEANS:**

~~(1)~~ **(I) AN AUTHORIZED INSURER;**

~~(2)~~ **(II) A NONPROFIT HEALTH SERVICE PLAN;**

~~(3)~~ **(III) A HEALTH MAINTENANCE ORGANIZATION;**

~~(4)~~ **(IV) A DENTAL ORGANIZATION;**

~~(5)~~ ~~A MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATION;~~

~~(6)~~ **(V) A MANAGED GENERAL AGENT; ~~AND~~ OR**

~~(7)~~ **(VI) A THIRD-PARTY ADMINISTRATOR.**

**(2) “CARRIER” DOES NOT INCLUDE:**

1                   **(I) A PURCHASING GROUP OR A RISK RETENTION GROUP**  
2 **CHARTERED AND LICENSED IN A STATE OTHER THAN THIS STATE; OR**

3                   **(II) A PERSON THAT IS ACTING AS AN ASSUMING INSURER THAT**  
4 **IS DOMICILED IN ANOTHER STATE OR JURISDICTION.**

5           **(D) “CONSUMER” MEANS AN INDIVIDUAL, INCLUDING AN APPLICANT, A**  
6 **POLICYHOLDER, AN INSURED, A BENEFICIARY, A CLAIMANT, AND A CERTIFICATE**  
7 **HOLDER, WHO IS A RESIDENT OF THE STATE AND WHOSE NONPUBLIC INFORMATION**  
8 **IS IN A CARRIER’S POSSESSION, CUSTODY, OR CONTROL.**

9           **(E) (1) “CYBERSECURITY EVENT” MEANS AN EVENT RESULTING IN**  
10 **UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS TO, OR DISRUPTION OR MISUSE OF, AN INFORMATION**  
11 **SYSTEM OR NONPUBLIC INFORMATION STORED ON AN INFORMATION SYSTEM.**

12                   **(2) “CYBERSECURITY EVENT” DOES NOT INCLUDE:**

13                   **(I) THE UNAUTHORIZED ACQUISITION OF ENCRYPTED**  
14 **NONPUBLIC INFORMATION IF THE ENCRYPTION, PROCESS, OR KEY IS NOT ALSO**  
15 **ACQUIRED, RELEASED, OR USED WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION; OR**

16                   **(II) AN EVENT WITH REGARD TO WHICH THE CARRIER HAS**  
17 **REASONABLY DETERMINED THAT THE NONPUBLIC INFORMATION ACCESSED BY AN**  
18 **UNAUTHORIZED PERSON HAS NOT BEEN AND WILL NOT BE USED OR RELEASED AND**  
19 **HAS BEEN RETURNED OR DESTROYED.**

20           **(F) “ENCRYPTED” MEANS THE TRANSFORMATION OF DATA INTO A FORM**  
21 **WHICH RESULTS IN A LOW PROBABILITY OF ASSIGNING MEANING WITHOUT THE USE**  
22 **OF A PROTECTIVE PROCESS OR KEY.**

23           **(G) “INFORMATION SECURITY PROGRAM” MEANS THE ADMINISTRATIVE,**  
24 **TECHNICAL, AND PHYSICAL SAFEGUARDS THAT A CARRIER USES TO ACCESS,**  
25 **COLLECT, DISTRIBUTE, PROCESS, PROTECT, STORE, USE, TRANSMIT, DISPOSE OF,**  
26 **OR OTHERWISE HANDLE NONPUBLIC INFORMATION.**

27           **(H) (1) “INFORMATION SYSTEM” MEANS A DISCRETE SET OF ELECTRONIC**  
28 **INFORMATION RESOURCES ORGANIZED FOR THE COLLECTION, PROCESSING,**  
29 **MAINTENANCE, USE, SHARING, DISSEMINATION, OR DISPOSITION OF ELECTRONIC**  
30 **INFORMATION.**

31                   **(2) “INFORMATION SYSTEM” INCLUDES INDUSTRIAL OR PROCESS**  
32 **CONTROL SYSTEMS, TELEPHONE SWITCHING AND PRIVATE BRANCH EXCHANGE**

1 SYSTEMS, ENVIRONMENTAL CONTROL SYSTEMS, AND OTHER SPECIALIZED  
2 SYSTEMS.

3 (I) "MULTIFACTOR AUTHENTICATION" MEANS AUTHENTICATION  
4 THROUGH VERIFICATION OF AT LEAST TWO OF THE FOLLOWING TYPES OF  
5 AUTHENTICATION FACTORS:

6 (1) KNOWLEDGE FACTORS, SUCH AS A PASSWORD;

7 (2) POSSESSION FACTORS, SUCH AS A TOKEN OR TEXT MESSAGE ON A  
8 MOBILE PHONE; OR

9 (3) INHERENCE FACTORS, SUCH AS A BIOMETRIC CHARACTERISTIC.

10 (J) "NONPUBLIC INFORMATION" MEANS INFORMATION THAT IS NOT  
11 PUBLICLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION AND IS:

12 (1) BUSINESS-RELATED INFORMATION OF A CARRIER THE  
13 TAMPERING WITH WHICH, OR UNAUTHORIZED DISCLOSURE, ACCESS, OR USE OF  
14 WHICH, WOULD CAUSE A MATERIAL ADVERSE IMPACT TO THE BUSINESS,  
15 OPERATIONS, OR SECURITY OF THE CARRIER;

16 (2) INFORMATION CONCERNING A CONSUMER THAT, BECAUSE OF  
17 NAME, NUMBER, PERSONAL MARK, OR OTHER IDENTIFIER, CAN BE USED TO  
18 IDENTIFY THE CONSUMER, IN COMBINATION WITH ONE OR MORE OF THE  
19 FOLLOWING DATA ELEMENTS:

20 (I) SOCIAL SECURITY NUMBER;

21 (II) DRIVER'S LICENSE NUMBER OR NONDRIVER  
22 IDENTIFICATION CARD NUMBER;

23 (III) ACCOUNT, CREDIT, OR DEBIT CARD NUMBER;

24 (IV) A SECURITY CODE, AN ACCESS CODE, OR A PASSWORD THAT  
25 WOULD ALLOW ACCESS TO A CONSUMER'S FINANCIAL ACCOUNT; OR

26 (V) BIOMETRIC RECORDS; OR

27 (3) INFORMATION OR DATA, EXCEPT AGE OR GENDER, IN ANY FORM  
28 OR MEDIUM CREATED BY OR DERIVED FROM A HEALTH CARE PROVIDER OR A  
29 CONSUMER THAT CAN BE USED TO IDENTIFY A PARTICULAR CONSUMER AND THAT  
30 RELATES TO:

1                   (I) THE PAST, PRESENT, OR FUTURE PHYSICAL, MENTAL, OR  
2 BEHAVIORAL HEALTH OR CONDITION OF A CONSUMER OR A MEMBER OF THE  
3 CONSUMER'S FAMILY;

4                   (II) THE PROVISION OF HEALTH CARE TO A CONSUMER; OR

5                   (III) PAYMENT FOR THE PROVISION OF HEALTH CARE TO A  
6 CONSUMER.

7           (K) "PUBLICLY AVAILABLE INFORMATION" MEANS INFORMATION THAT A  
8 CARRIER HAS A REASONABLE BASIS TO BELIEVE IS LAWFULLY MADE AVAILABLE TO  
9 THE GENERAL PUBLIC FROM:

10                   (1) (I) FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL GOVERNMENT RECORDS;

11                               (II) WIDELY DISTRIBUTED MEDIA; OR

12                               (III) DISCLOSURES TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC THAT ARE  
13 REQUIRED TO BE MADE BY FEDERAL, STATE, OR LOCAL LAW; AND

14                   (2) STEPS TAKEN BY THE CARRIER TO DETERMINE:

15                               (I) THAT THE INFORMATION IS OF THE TYPE THAT IS  
16 AVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC; AND

17                               (II) WHETHER A CONSUMER CAN DIRECT THAT THE  
18 INFORMATION BE MADE UNAVAILABLE TO THE GENERAL PUBLIC AND, IF SO, THAT  
19 THE CONSUMER HAS NOT DONE SO.

20           (L) "RISK ASSESSMENT" MEANS THE RISK ASSESSMENT THAT A CARRIER IS  
21 REQUIRED TO CONDUCT UNDER § 33-103(C) OF THIS TITLE.

22           (M) "THIRD-PARTY SERVICE PROVIDER" MEANS A PERSON, OTHER THAN A  
23 CARRIER, THAT CONTRACTS WITH A CARRIER TO MAINTAIN, PROCESS, STORE, OR IS  
24 OTHERWISE AUTHORIZED ACCESS TO NONPUBLIC INFORMATION THROUGH ITS  
25 PROVISION OF SERVICES TO THE CARRIER.

26 **33-102.**

27           (A) THE PURPOSE OF THIS TITLE IS TO ESTABLISH STANDARDS FOR:

28                   (1) DATA SECURITY; AND



1           **(2) THE INVESTIGATION OF AND NOTIFICATION TO THE**  
2 **COMMISSIONER OF A CYBERSECURITY EVENT APPLICABLE TO CARRIERS.**

3           **(B) THIS TITLE MAY NOT BE CONSTRUED TO:**

4           **(1) CREATE OR IMPLY A PRIVATE CAUSE OF ACTION FOR VIOLATION**  
5 **OF ITS PROVISIONS; OR**

6           **(2) CURTAIL A PRIVATE CAUSE OF ACTION WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE**  
7 **EXIST IN THE ABSENCE OF THIS TITLE.**

8           **(C) COMPLIANCE WITH THIS TITLE DOES NOT RELIEVE A CARRIER FROM A**  
9 **DUTY TO COMPLY WITH ANY OTHER REQUIREMENTS OF FEDERAL LAW OR TITLE 14**  
10 **OF THE COMMERCIAL LAW ARTICLE RELATING TO THE PROTECTION AND PRIVACY**  
11 **OF PERSONAL INFORMATION.**

12 **33-103.**

13           **(A) (1) EACH CARRIER SHALL DEVELOP, IMPLEMENT, AND MAINTAIN A**  
14 **COMPREHENSIVE WRITTEN INFORMATION SECURITY PROGRAM BASED ON THE**  
15 **CARRIER'S RISK ASSESSMENT.**

16           **(2) THE INFORMATION SECURITY PROGRAM SHALL CONTAIN**  
17 **ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, AND PHYSICAL SAFEGUARDS FOR THE PROTECTION**  
18 **OF NONPUBLIC INFORMATION AND THE CARRIER'S INFORMATION SYSTEM.**

19           **(3) A CARRIER'S INFORMATION SECURITY PROGRAM SHALL BE**  
20 **COMMENSURATE WITH:**

21                   **(I) THE SIZE AND COMPLEXITY OF THE CARRIER;**

22                   **(II) THE NATURE AND SCOPE OF THE CARRIER'S ACTIVITIES,**  
23 **INCLUDING ITS USE OF THIRD-PARTY SERVICE PROVIDERS; AND**

24                   **(III) THE SENSITIVITY OF THE NONPUBLIC INFORMATION USED**  
25 **BY THE CARRIER OR IN THE CARRIER'S POSSESSION, CUSTODY, OR CONTROL.**

26           **(B) A CARRIER'S INFORMATION SECURITY PROGRAM SHALL BE DESIGNED**  
27 **TO:**

28           **(1) PROTECT THE SECURITY AND CONFIDENTIALITY OF NONPUBLIC**  
29 **INFORMATION AND THE SECURITY OF THE INFORMATION SYSTEM;**

1           **(2) PROTECT AGAINST THREATS OR HAZARDS TO THE SECURITY OR**  
2 **INTEGRITY OF NONPUBLIC INFORMATION AND THE INFORMATION SYSTEM;**

3           **(3) PROTECT AGAINST UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS TO OR USE OF**  
4 **NONPUBLIC INFORMATION AND MINIMIZE THE LIKELIHOOD OF HARM TO A**  
5 **CONSUMER; AND**

6           **(4) DEFINE AND PERIODICALLY REEVALUATE A SCHEDULE FOR**  
7 **RETENTION OF NONPUBLIC INFORMATION AND A MECHANISM FOR ITS**  
8 **DESTRUCTION WHEN NO LONGER NEEDED.**

9           **(C) EACH CARRIER SHALL:**

10           **(1) DESIGNATE ONE OR MORE EMPLOYEES, AN AFFILIATE, OR AN**  
11 **OUTSIDE VENDOR DESIGNATED TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE CARRIER WHO IS**  
12 **RESPONSIBLE FOR THE INFORMATION SECURITY PROGRAM;**

13           **(2) IDENTIFY REASONABLY FORESEEABLE INTERNAL OR EXTERNAL**  
14 **THREATS THAT COULD RESULT IN UNAUTHORIZED ACCESS, TRANSMISSION,**  
15 **DISCLOSURE, MISUSE, ALTERATION, OR DESTRUCTION OF NONPUBLIC**  
16 **INFORMATION, INCLUDING THE SECURITY OF INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND**  
17 **NONPUBLIC INFORMATION THAT ARE ACCESSIBLE TO, OR HELD BY, THIRD-PARTY**  
18 **SERVICE PROVIDERS;**

19           **(3) ASSESS THE LIKELIHOOD AND POTENTIAL DAMAGE OF THE**  
20 **THREATS DESCRIBED UNDER ITEM (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, TAKING INTO**  
21 **CONSIDERATION THE SENSITIVITY OF THE NONPUBLIC INFORMATION;**

22           **(4) ASSESS THE SUFFICIENCY OF POLICIES, PROCEDURES,**  
23 **INFORMATION SYSTEMS, AND OTHER SAFEGUARDS IN PLACE TO MANAGE THE**  
24 **THREATS DESCRIBED UNDER ITEM (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, INCLUDING**  
25 **CONSIDERATION OF THREATS IN EACH RELEVANT AREA OF THE CARRIER'S**  
26 **OPERATIONS, SUCH AS:**

27                   **(I) EMPLOYEE TRAINING AND MANAGEMENT;**

28                   **(II) INFORMATION SYSTEMS, INCLUDING NETWORK AND**  
29 **SOFTWARE DESIGN, AS WELL AS INFORMATION CLASSIFICATION, GOVERNANCE,**  
30 **PROCESSING, STORAGE, TRANSMISSION, AND DISPOSAL; AND**

31                   **(III) DETECTING, PREVENTING, AND RESPONDING TO ATTACKS,**  
32 **INTRUSIONS, OR OTHER SYSTEM FAILURES;**

1           **(5) IMPLEMENT INFORMATION SAFEGUARDS TO MANAGE THE**  
2 **THREATS IDENTIFIED IN ITS ONGOING ASSESSMENT; AND**

3           **(6) AT LEAST ANNUALLY, ASSESS THE EFFECTIVENESS OF THE KEY**  
4 **CONTROLS, SYSTEMS, AND PROCEDURES OF THE SAFEGUARDS.**

5           **(D) BASED ON ITS RISK ASSESSMENT, A CARRIER SHALL:**

6           **(1) DESIGN ITS INFORMATION SECURITY PROGRAM TO MITIGATE THE**  
7 **IDENTIFIED RISKS, COMMENSURATE WITH THE SIZE AND COMPLEXITY OF THE**  
8 **CARRIER'S ACTIVITIES, INCLUDING ITS USE OF THIRD-PARTY SERVICE PROVIDERS,**  
9 **AND THE SENSITIVITY OF THE NONPUBLIC INFORMATION USED BY THE CARRIER OR**  
10 **IN THE CARRIER'S POSSESSION, CUSTODY, OR CONTROL; AND**

11           **(2) DETERMINE WHICH OF THE FOLLOWING SECURITY MEASURES**  
12 **ARE APPROPRIATE AND IMPLEMENT THE APPROPRIATE SECURITY MEASURES:**

13           **(I) PLACEMENT OF ACCESS CONTROLS ON INFORMATION**  
14 **SYSTEMS, INCLUDING CONTROLS TO AUTHENTICATE AND ALLOW ACCESS ONLY TO**  
15 **AUTHORIZED INDIVIDUALS TO PROTECT AGAINST THE UNAUTHORIZED**  
16 **ACQUISITION OF NONPUBLIC INFORMATION;**

17           **(II) IDENTIFICATION AND MANAGEMENT OF THE DATA,**  
18 **PERSONNEL, DEVICES, SYSTEMS, AND FACILITIES THAT ENABLE THE ORGANIZATION**  
19 **TO ACHIEVE BUSINESS PURPOSES IN ACCORDANCE WITH THEIR RELATIVE**  
20 **IMPORTANCE TO BUSINESS OBJECTIVES AND THE ORGANIZATION'S RISK STRATEGY;**

21           **(III) RESTRICTION OF ACCESS AT PHYSICAL LOCATIONS**  
22 **CONTAINING NONPUBLIC INFORMATION TO AUTHORIZED INDIVIDUALS ONLY;**

23           **(IV) PROTECTION, BY ENCRYPTION OR OTHER APPROPRIATE**  
24 **MEANS, OF ALL NONPUBLIC INFORMATION:**

25                   **1. DURING TRANSMISSION OVER AN EXTERNAL**  
26 **NETWORK; AND**

27                   **2. STORED ON A LAPTOP COMPUTER OR OTHER**  
28 **PORTABLE COMPUTING OR STORAGE DEVICE OR MEDIA;**

29           **(V) ADOPTION OF SECURE DEVELOPMENT PRACTICES FOR**  
30 **IN-HOUSE DEVELOPED APPLICATIONS USED BY THE CARRIER AND PROCEDURES**  
31 **FOR EVALUATING, ASSESSING, OR TESTING THE SECURITY OF EXTERNALLY**  
32 **DEVELOPED APPLICATIONS USED BY THE CARRIER;**

1 (VI) MODIFICATION OF THE INFORMATION SYSTEM IN  
2 ACCORDANCE WITH THE CARRIER'S INFORMATION SECURITY PROGRAM;

3 (VII) USE OF EFFECTIVE CONTROLS, WHICH MAY INCLUDE  
4 MULTIFACTOR AUTHENTICATION PROCEDURES FOR AN INDIVIDUAL ACCESSING  
5 NONPUBLIC INFORMATION;

6 (VIII) REGULAR TESTING AND MONITORING OF SYSTEMS AND  
7 PROCEDURES TO DETECT ACTUAL AND ATTEMPTED ATTACKS ON, OR INTRUSIONS  
8 INTO, INFORMATION SYSTEMS;

9 (IX) INCLUSION OF AUDIT TRAILS WITHIN THE INFORMATION  
10 SECURITY PROGRAM DESIGNED TO:

11 1. DETECT AND RESPOND TO CYBERSECURITY EVENTS;  
12 AND

13 2. RECONSTRUCT MATERIAL FINANCIAL TRANSACTIONS  
14 SUFFICIENT TO SUPPORT NORMAL OPERATIONS AND OBLIGATIONS OF THE  
15 CARRIER;

16 (X) IMPLEMENTATION OF MEASURES TO PROTECT AGAINST  
17 DESTRUCTION, LOSS, OR DAMAGE OF NONPUBLIC INFORMATION DUE TO  
18 ENVIRONMENTAL HAZARDS, SUCH AS FIRE AND WATER DAMAGE OR OTHER  
19 CATASTROPHES OR TECHNOLOGICAL FAILURES; AND

20 (XI) DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTATION, AND MAINTENANCE OF  
21 PROCEDURES FOR THE SECURE DISPOSAL OF NONPUBLIC INFORMATION IN ANY  
22 FORMAT.

23 (E) A CARRIER'S ENTERPRISE RISK MANAGEMENT PROCESS SHALL  
24 INCLUDE CYBERSECURITY RISKS.

25 (F) EACH CARRIER SHALL:

26 (1) STAY INFORMED REGARDING EMERGING THREATS OR  
27 VULNERABILITIES AND USE REASONABLE SECURITY MEASURES WHEN SHARING  
28 INFORMATION RELATIVE TO THE CHARACTER OF THE SHARING AND THE TYPE OF  
29 INFORMATION SHARED; AND

30 (2) PROVIDE ITS PERSONNEL WITH CYBERSECURITY AWARENESS  
31 TRAINING THAT IS UPDATED AS NECESSARY TO REFLECT RISKS IDENTIFIED BY THE  
32 CARRIER IN THE RISK ASSESSMENT.

1           **(G) (1) IF A CARRIER HAS A BOARD OF DIRECTORS, THE BOARD OR AN**  
2 **APPROPRIATE COMMITTEE OF THE BOARD SHALL, AT A MINIMUM:**

3                   **(I) REQUIRE THE CARRIER'S EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT OR ITS**  
4 **DELEGATES TO DEVELOP, IMPLEMENT, AND MAINTAIN THE CARRIER'S**  
5 **INFORMATION SECURITY PROGRAM; AND**

6                   **(II) REQUIRE THE CARRIER'S EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT OR ITS**  
7 **DELEGATES TO REPORT IN WRITING, AT LEAST ANNUALLY, THE FOLLOWING**  
8 **INFORMATION:**

9                           **1. THE OVERALL STATUS OF THE INFORMATION**  
10 **SECURITY PROGRAM AND THE CARRIER'S COMPLIANCE WITH THIS TITLE; AND**

11                           **2. MATERIAL MATTERS RELATED TO THE INFORMATION**  
12 **SECURITY PROGRAM, ADDRESSING ISSUES SUCH AS RISK ASSESSMENT, RISK**  
13 **MANAGEMENT AND CONTROL DECISIONS, THIRD-PARTY SERVICE PROVIDER**  
14 **ARRANGEMENTS, RESULTS OF TESTING, CYBERSECURITY EVENTS OR VIOLATIONS**  
15 **AND MANAGEMENT'S RESPONSES THERETO, AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR**  
16 **CHANGES IN THE INFORMATION SECURITY PROGRAM.**

17           **(2) IF EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT OF A CARRIER DELEGATES ANY OF**  
18 **THE RESPONSIBILITIES UNDER THIS SECTION, THE EXECUTIVE MANAGEMENT**  
19 **SHALL:**

20                   **(I) OVERSEE THE DEVELOPMENT, IMPLEMENTATION, AND**  
21 **MAINTENANCE OF THE CARRIER'S INFORMATION SECURITY PROGRAM PREPARED**  
22 **BY THE DELEGATES; AND**

23                   **(II) RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE DELEGATES THAT COMPLIES**  
24 **WITH THE REQUIREMENTS FOR THE REPORT TO THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS UNDER**  
25 **PARAGRAPH (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.**

26           **(H) A CARRIER SHALL REQUIRE A THIRD-PARTY SERVICE PROVIDER TO**  
27 **IMPLEMENT APPROPRIATE ADMINISTRATIVE, TECHNICAL, AND PHYSICAL**  
28 **MEASURES TO PROTECT AND SECURE THE INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND NONPUBLIC**  
29 **INFORMATION THAT ARE ACCESSIBLE TO OR HELD BY THE THIRD-PARTY SERVICE**  
30 **PROVIDER.**

31           **(I) (1) EACH CARRIER SHALL ESTABLISH A WRITTEN INCIDENT**  
32 **RESPONSE PLAN DESIGNED TO PROMPTLY RESPOND TO, AND RECOVER FROM, ANY**  
33 **CYBERSECURITY EVENT THAT COMPROMISES THE CONFIDENTIALITY, INTEGRITY,**  
34 **OR AVAILABILITY OF NONPUBLIC INFORMATION IN ITS POSSESSION, THE CARRIER'S**

1 INFORMATION SYSTEMS, OR THE CONTINUING FUNCTIONALITY OF ANY ASPECT OF  
2 THE CARRIER'S BUSINESS OR OPERATIONS.

3 (2) THE INCIDENT RESPONSE PLAN SHALL ADDRESS THE FOLLOWING  
4 AREAS:

5 (I) THE INTERNAL PROCESS FOR RESPONDING TO A  
6 CYBERSECURITY EVENT;

7 (II) THE GOALS OF THE INCIDENT RESPONSE PLAN;

8 (III) THE DEFINITION OF CLEAR ROLES, RESPONSIBILITIES, AND  
9 LEVELS OF DECISION-MAKING AUTHORITY;

10 (IV) EXTERNAL AND INTERNAL COMMUNICATIONS AND  
11 INFORMATION SHARING;

12 (V) IDENTIFICATION OF REQUIREMENTS FOR THE  
13 REMEDIATION OF IDENTIFIED WEAKNESSES IN INFORMATION SYSTEMS AND  
14 ASSOCIATED CONTROLS;

15 (VI) DOCUMENTATION AND REPORTING REGARDING  
16 CYBERSECURITY EVENTS AND RELATED INCIDENT RESPONSE ACTIVITIES; AND

17 (VII) THE EVALUATION AND REVISION, AS NECESSARY, OF THE  
18 INCIDENT RESPONSE PLAN FOLLOWING A CYBERSECURITY EVENT.

19 (J) (1) ~~ON EXCEPT AS PROVIDED IN SUBSECTION (K) OF THIS SECTION,~~  
20 ~~ON OR BEFORE FEBRUARY~~ APRIL 15 EACH YEAR, EACH CARRIER SHALL SUBMIT TO  
21 THE COMMISSIONER A WRITTEN STATEMENT CERTIFYING THAT THE CARRIER ~~HAS~~  
22 ~~ADOPTED AN INFORMATION SECURITY PROGRAM AND~~ IS IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE  
23 ~~ADDITIONAL~~ REQUIREMENTS SET FORTH IN THIS SECTION.

24 (2) EACH CARRIER SHALL MAINTAIN FOR EXAMINATION BY THE  
25 COMMISSIONER ALL RECORDS, SCHEDULES, AND DATA SUPPORTING THIS  
26 CERTIFICATE FOR A PERIOD OF 5 YEARS.

27 (K) A CARRIER THAT IS NOT DOMICILED IN THE STATE IS EXEMPT FROM  
28 THE PROVISIONS OF SUBSECTION (J)(1) OF THIS SECTION IF THE CARRIER:

29 (1) (I) IS DOMICILED IN ANOTHER UNITED STATES INSURING  
30 JURISDICTION THAT HAS ADOPTED A LAW OR REGULATION THAT IS SUBSTANTIALLY  
31 SIMILAR TO THIS SECTION;

1           **(II) IS SUBJECT TO THAT LAW OR REGULATION;**

2           **(III) IS REQUIRED TO FILE A CERTIFICATION OF COMPLIANCE**  
3 **WITH ITS DOMESTIC REGULATOR UNDER THAT LAW OR REGULATION; AND**

4           **(IV) ACTUALLY FILES THE REQUIRED CERTIFICATION WITH ITS**  
5 **DOMESTIC REGULATOR; OR**

6           **(2) (I) IS A MEMBER OF AN INSURANCE HOLDING COMPANY**  
7 **SYSTEM, AS DEFINED IN § 7-101 OF THIS ARTICLE; AND**

8           **(II) HAS IMPLEMENTED AND IS SUBJECT TO AN INFORMATION**  
9 **SECURITY PROGRAM THAT HAS BEEN APPROVED AND IS MAINTAINED BY ANOTHER**  
10 **CARRIER WITHIN THE SAME INSURANCE HOLDING COMPANY SYSTEM THAT MEETS**  
11 **ALL OF THE CRITERIA SET FORTH IN ITEM (1) OF THIS SUBSECTION.**

12 **33-104.**

13           **(A) IF A CARRIER LEARNS THAT A CYBERSECURITY EVENT HAS OR MAY**  
14 **HAVE OCCURRED, THE CARRIER OR AN OUTSIDE VENDOR OR SERVICE PROVIDER**  
15 **DESIGNATED TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE CARRIER SHALL CONDUCT A PROMPT**  
16 **INVESTIGATION.**

17           **(B) DURING THE INVESTIGATION, THE CARRIER OR AN OUTSIDE VENDOR**  
18 **OR SERVICE PROVIDER DESIGNATED TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE CARRIER, SHALL,**  
19 **AT A MINIMUM:**

20           **(1) DETERMINE AS MUCH OF THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION AS**  
21 **POSSIBLE:**

22           **(I) WHETHER A CYBERSECURITY EVENT HAS OCCURRED;**

23           **(II) THE NATURE AND SCOPE OF THE CYBERSECURITY EVENT;**

24 **AND**

25           **(III) IDENTIFICATION OF NONPUBLIC INFORMATION THAT MAY**  
26 **HAVE BEEN INVOLVED IN THE CYBERSECURITY EVENT; AND**

27           **(2) PERFORM OR OVERSEE REASONABLE MEASURES TO RESTORE**  
28 **THE SECURITY OF THE INFORMATION SYSTEMS COMPROMISED IN THE**  
29 **CYBERSECURITY EVENT TO PREVENT FURTHER UNAUTHORIZED ACQUISITION,**  
30 **RELEASE, OR USE OF NONPUBLIC INFORMATION IN THE CARRIER'S POSSESSION,**  
31 **CUSTODY, OR CONTROL.**

1           **(C) IF A CARRIER LEARNS THAT A CYBERSECURITY EVENT HAS OR MAY**  
2 **HAVE OCCURRED IN A SYSTEM MAINTAINED BY A THIRD-PARTY SERVICE PROVIDER,**  
3 **THE CARRIER SHALL COMPLETE THE STEPS LISTED IN SUBSECTION (B) OF THIS**  
4 **SECTION OR CONFIRM AND DOCUMENT THAT THE THIRD-PARTY SERVICE PROVIDER**  
5 **HAS COMPLETED THOSE STEPS.**

6           **(D) A CARRIER SHALL:**

7                 **(1) MAINTAIN RECORDS CONCERNING ALL CYBERSECURITY EVENTS**  
8 **FOR A PERIOD OF AT LEAST 5 YEARS FROM THE DATE OF THE CYBERSECURITY**  
9 **EVENT; AND**

10                **(2) PRODUCE THE RECORDS ON DEMAND OF THE COMMISSIONER.**

11 **33-105.**

12           **(A) A CARRIER SHALL NOTIFY THE COMMISSIONER AS PROMPTLY AS**  
13 **POSSIBLE BUT IN NO EVENT LATER THAN 3 BUSINESS DAYS FROM A DETERMINATION**  
14 **THAT A CYBERSECURITY EVENT HAS OCCURRED WHEN EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING**  
15 **CRITERIA HAS BEEN MET:**

16                 **(1) (I) THE STATE IS THE CARRIER'S STATE OF DOMICILE; AND**

17                         **(II) THE CYBERSECURITY EVENT HAS A REASONABLE**  
18 **LIKELIHOOD OF HARMING A CONSUMER RESIDING IN THE STATE OR ANY MATERIAL**  
19 **PART OF THE NORMAL OPERATIONS OF THE CARRIER; OR**

20                 **(2) THE CARRIER REASONABLY BELIEVES THAT THE NONPUBLIC**  
21 **INFORMATION INVOLVED IS OF 250 OR MORE CONSUMERS RESIDING IN THE STATE**  
22 **AND EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING CIRCUMSTANCES IS PRESENT:**

23                         **(I) A CYBERSECURITY EVENT IMPACTING THE CARRIER HAS**  
24 **OCCURRED FOR WHICH NOTICE MUST BE PROVIDED TO A GOVERNMENT BODY,**  
25 **SELF-REGULATORY AGENCY, OR ANY OTHER SUPERVISORY BODY UNDER STATE OR**  
26 **FEDERAL LAW; OR**

27                         **(II) A CYBERSECURITY EVENT HAS OCCURRED THAT HAS A**  
28 **REASONABLE LIKELIHOOD OF MATERIALLY HARMING:**

29                                 **1. A CONSUMER RESIDING IN THE STATE; OR**

30                                 **2. A MATERIAL PART OF THE NORMAL OPERATION OF**  
31 **THE CARRIER.**



1           **(B) THE CARRIER SHALL PROVIDE AS MUCH OF THE FOLLOWING**  
2 **INFORMATION AS REASONABLY POSSIBLE:**

3           **(1) THE DATE OF THE CYBERSECURITY EVENT;**

4           **(2) A DESCRIPTION OF HOW THE INFORMATION WAS EXPOSED, LOST,**  
5 **STOLEN, OR BREACHED, INCLUDING THE SPECIFIC ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES**  
6 **OF THIRD-PARTY SERVICE PROVIDERS, IF ANY;**

7           **(3) HOW THE CYBERSECURITY EVENT WAS DISCOVERED;**

8           **(4) WHETHER ANY LOST, STOLEN, OR BREACHED INFORMATION HAS**  
9 **BEEN RECOVERED AND, IF SO, HOW THIS WAS DONE;**

10          **(5) THE IDENTITY OF THE SOURCE OF THE CYBERSECURITY EVENT;**

11          **(6) WHETHER THE CARRIER HAS FILED A POLICE REPORT OR HAS**  
12 **NOTIFIED A REGULATORY, GOVERNMENT, OR LAW ENFORCEMENT AGENCY AND, IF**  
13 **SO, WHEN THE NOTIFICATION WAS PROVIDED;**

14          **(7) A DESCRIPTION OF THE SPECIFIC TYPES OF INFORMATION**  
15 **ACQUIRED WITHOUT AUTHORIZATION AND, MORE SPECIFICALLY, PARTICULAR**  
16 **DATA ELEMENTS, SUCH AS TYPES OF MEDICAL INFORMATION, TYPES OF FINANCIAL**  
17 **INFORMATION, OR TYPES OF INFORMATION ALLOWING IDENTIFICATION OF THE**  
18 **CONSUMER;**

19          **(8) THE PERIOD DURING WHICH THE INFORMATION SYSTEM WAS**  
20 **COMPROMISED BY THE CYBERSECURITY EVENT;**

21          **(9) THE NUMBER OF TOTAL CONSUMERS IN THE STATE AFFECTED BY**  
22 **THE CYBERSECURITY EVENT, WITH THE CARRIER PROVIDING:**

23                  **(I) THE BEST ESTIMATE OF THIS NUMBER IN ITS INITIAL**  
24 **REPORT TO THE COMMISSIONER; AND**

25                  **(II) AN UPDATED ESTIMATE OF THIS NUMBER IN EACH**  
26 **SUBSEQUENT REPORT TO THE COMMISSIONER IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS**  
27 **SECTION;**

28          **(10) THE RESULTS OF ANY INTERNAL REVIEW:**

29                  **(I) IDENTIFYING A LAPSE IN EITHER AUTOMATED CONTROLS**  
30 **OR INTERNAL PROCEDURES; OR**

1 (II) CONFIRMING THAT ALL AUTOMATED CONTROLS OR  
2 INTERNAL PROCEDURES WERE FOLLOWED;

3 (11) A COPY OF THE CARRIER'S PRIVACY POLICY AND A STATEMENT  
4 OUTLINING THE STEPS THE CARRIER WILL TAKE TO INVESTIGATE AND NOTIFY  
5 CONSUMERS AFFECTED BY THE CYBERSECURITY EVENT; AND

6 (12) THE NAME OF A CONTACT PERSON WHO IS BOTH FAMILIAR WITH  
7 THE CYBERSECURITY EVENT AND AUTHORIZED TO ACT FOR THE CARRIER.

8 (C) A CARRIER SHALL PROVIDE THE INFORMATION REQUIRED UNDER THIS  
9 SECTION IN ELECTRONIC FORM AS DIRECTED BY THE COMMISSIONER.

10 (D) A CARRIER SHALL HAVE A CONTINUING OBLIGATION TO UPDATE AND  
11 SUPPLEMENT INITIAL AND SUBSEQUENT NOTIFICATIONS TO THE COMMISSIONER  
12 CONCERNING THE CYBERSECURITY EVENT.

13 (E) A CARRIER SHALL COMPLY WITH § 14-3504 OF THE COMMERCIAL LAW  
14 ARTICLE, AS APPLICABLE, AND PROVIDE A COPY OF THE NOTICE SENT TO  
15 CONSUMERS UNDER THAT SECTION TO THE COMMISSIONER.

16 ~~(F) IF A CARRIER DOES NOT MEET THE NOTIFICATION CRITERIA IN~~  
17 ~~SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION BUT CONDUCTS AN INVESTIGATION REQUIRED~~  
18 ~~UNDER § 14-3504(B) OR (C) OF THE COMMERCIAL LAW ARTICLE AND DETERMINES~~  
19 ~~THAT THE BREACH OF THE SECURITY OF THE SYSTEM CREATES A LIKELIHOOD THAT~~  
20 ~~PERSONAL INFORMATION HAS BEEN OR WILL BE MISUSED, THE CARRIER SHALL~~  
21 ~~PROVIDE THE NOTICE TO THE COMMISSIONER AT THE SAME TIME THE CARRIER~~  
22 ~~PROVIDES NOTICE TO THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL UNDER §~~  
23 ~~14-3504(H) OF THE COMMERCIAL LAW ARTICLE.~~

24 (F) IF A MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATION CONDUCTS AN INVESTIGATION AS  
25 REQUIRED BY THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH IN ACCORDANCE WITH  
26 THE MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATION'S CONTRACT WITH THE MARYLAND  
27 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND DETERMINES THAT A CYBERSECURITY EVENT HAS  
28 OCCURRED, THE MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATION SHALL PROVIDE TO THE  
29 COMMISSIONER COPIES OF ALL NOTICES AND REPORTS PROVIDED TO THE  
30 MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AT THE SAME TIME AND IN THE SAME  
31 MANNER THAT THE MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATION PROVIDES THE NOTICES AND  
32 REPORTS TO THE MARYLAND DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH.

33 33-106.

34 (A) A CARRIER THAT IS SUBJECT TO, GOVERNED BY, AND COMPLIANT WITH  
35 THE PRIVACY, SECURITY, AND BREACH NOTIFICATION RULES ISSUED BY THE U.S.

1 DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES, 45 C.F.R. PARTS 160 AND 164,  
2 ESTABLISHED UNDER THE HEALTH INSURANCE PORTABILITY AND  
3 ACCOUNTABILITY ACT OF 1996, AND THE HEALTH INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY  
4 FOR ECONOMIC AND CLINICAL HEALTH ACT, AND THAT MAINTAINS NONPUBLIC  
5 INFORMATION IN THE SAME MANNER AS PROTECTED HEALTH INFORMATION:

6 (1) SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH §§ 33-103 AND  
7 33-104 OF THIS TITLE; AND

8 (2) MUST COMPLY WITH § 33-105(A) THROUGH (D) OF THIS TITLE.

9 (B) A CARRIER THAT IS SUBJECT TO, GOVERNED BY, AND IN COMPLIANCE  
10 WITH § 33-103 OF THIS TITLE SHALL BE DEEMED TO BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH §§  
11 14-3502 AND 14-3503 OF THE COMMERCIAL LAW ARTICLE.

12 ~~33-106.~~ 33-107.

13 (A) (1) DOCUMENTS, MATERIALS, AND OTHER INFORMATION IN THE  
14 CONTROL OR POSSESSION OF THE COMMISSIONER THAT ARE FURNISHED BY A  
15 CARRIER OR AN EMPLOYEE OR AGENT THEREOF ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE  
16 CARRIER UNDER § 33-103(J) OR § 33-105(B)(2) THROUGH (5), (8), (10), AND (11) OF  
17 THIS TITLE OR THAT ARE OBTAINED BY THE COMMISSIONER IN AN INVESTIGATION  
18 OR EXAMINATION UNDER THIS SECTION OR FROM A MANAGED CARE ORGANIZATION  
19 IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 33-105(F) OF THIS TITLE:

20 (I) ARE CONFIDENTIAL BY LAW AND PRIVILEGED;

21 (II) ARE NOT SUBJECT TO THE MARYLAND PUBLIC  
22 INFORMATION ACT;

23 (III) ARE NOT SUBJECT TO SUBPOENA; AND

24 (IV) ARE NOT SUBJECT TO DISCOVERY OR ADMISSIBLE IN  
25 EVIDENCE IN A PRIVATE CIVIL ACTION.

26 (2) THE COMMISSIONER IS AUTHORIZED TO USE THE DOCUMENTS,  
27 MATERIALS, AND OTHER INFORMATION IN THE FURTHERANCE OF A REGULATORY  
28 OR LEGAL ACTION BROUGHT AS A PART OF THE COMMISSIONER'S DUTIES.

29 (B) THE COMMISSIONER AND ANY PERSON WHO RECEIVED DOCUMENTS,  
30 MATERIALS, OR OTHER INFORMATION WHILE ACTING UNDER THE AUTHORITY OF  
31 THE COMMISSIONER MAY NOT BE ALLOWED OR REQUIRED TO TESTIFY IN A PRIVATE  
32 CIVIL ACTION CONCERNING CONFIDENTIAL DOCUMENTS, MATERIALS, OR OTHER  
33 INFORMATION SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION.

1 (c) THE COMMISSIONER MAY:

2 (1) IF THE RECIPIENT AGREES TO MAINTAIN THE CONFIDENTIALITY  
3 AND PRIVILEGED STATUS OF THE DOCUMENTS, MATERIALS, OR OTHER  
4 INFORMATION, SHARE DOCUMENTS, MATERIALS, OR OTHER INFORMATION,  
5 INCLUDING THE CONFIDENTIAL AND PRIVILEGED DOCUMENTS, MATERIALS, OR  
6 OTHER INFORMATION SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION, WITH:

7 (i) OTHER STATE, FEDERAL, AND INTERNATIONAL  
8 REGULATORY AGENCIES;

9 (ii) THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INSURANCE  
10 COMMISSIONERS, ITS AFFILIATES, OR SUBSIDIARIES; AND

11 (iii) STATE, FEDERAL, AND INTERNATIONAL LAW ENFORCEMENT  
12 AUTHORITIES, PROVIDED THAT THE RECIPIENT AGREES TO MAINTAIN THE  
13 CONFIDENTIALITY AND PRIVILEGED STATUS OF THE DOCUMENT, MATERIAL, OR  
14 OTHER INFORMATION;

15 (2) RECEIVE DOCUMENTS, MATERIALS, OR OTHER INFORMATION,  
16 INCLUDING OTHERWISE CONFIDENTIAL AND PRIVILEGED DOCUMENTS, MATERIALS,  
17 OR OTHER INFORMATION, FROM:

18 (i) THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF INSURANCE  
19 COMMISSIONERS, ITS AFFILIATES, OR SUBSIDIARIES; AND

20 (ii) REGULATORY AND LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICIALS OF  
21 OTHER FOREIGN OR DOMESTIC JURISDICTIONS;

22 (3) SHARE DOCUMENTS, MATERIALS, OR OTHER INFORMATION  
23 SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION WITH A THIRD-PARTY CONSULTANT  
24 OR VENDOR, IF THE CONSULTANT AGREES IN WRITING TO MAINTAIN THE  
25 CONFIDENTIALITY AND PRIVILEGED STATUS OF THE DOCUMENT, MATERIAL, OR  
26 OTHER INFORMATION; AND

27 (4) ENTER INTO AGREEMENTS GOVERNING SHARING AND USE OF  
28 INFORMATION CONSISTENT WITH THIS SUBSECTION.

29 (d) THE COMMISSIONER SHALL MAINTAIN AS CONFIDENTIAL OR  
30 PRIVILEGED ANY DOCUMENT, MATERIAL, OR OTHER INFORMATION RECEIVED  
31 UNDER SUBSECTION (C)(2) OF THIS SECTION WITH NOTICE OR THE UNDERSTANDING  
32 THAT IT IS CONFIDENTIAL OR PRIVILEGED UNDER THE LAWS OF THE JURISDICTION  
33 THAT IS THE SOURCE OF THE DOCUMENT, MATERIAL, OR OTHER INFORMATION.

1 (E) A WAIVER OF AN APPLICABLE PRIVILEGE OR CLAIM OF  
2 CONFIDENTIALITY IN THE DOCUMENTS, MATERIALS, OR OTHER INFORMATION MAY  
3 NOT OCCUR AS A RESULT OF DISCLOSURE TO THE COMMISSIONER UNDER THIS  
4 SECTION OR AS A RESULT OF SHARING AS AUTHORIZED IN SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS  
5 SECTION.

6 (F) THIS SECTION DOES NOT PROHIBIT THE COMMISSIONER FROM  
7 RELEASING FINAL, ADJUDICATED ACTIONS THAT ARE OPEN TO PUBLIC INSPECTION.

8 ~~33-107.~~ 33-108.

9 IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER SANCTION TO WHICH A CARRIER MAY BE  
10 SUBJECT, A CARRIER THAT VIOLATES A PROVISION OF THIS TITLE IS SUBJECT TO A  
11 PENALTY OF NOT LESS THAN \$100 BUT NOT MORE THAN \$125,000 FOR EACH  
12 VIOLATION OF THIS TITLE.

13 ~~33-108.~~ 33-109.

14 THE COMMISSIONER MAY ADOPT REGULATIONS CONSISTENT WITH THIS  
15 TITLE.

16 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, if any provision of this Act or  
17 the application thereof to any person or circumstance is held invalid for any reason in a  
18 court of competent jurisdiction, the invalidity does not affect other provisions or any other  
19 application of this Act that can be given effect without the invalid provision or application,  
20 and for this purpose the provisions of this Act are declared severable.

21 SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in ~~Section~~  
22 4 Sections 4 and 5 of this Act, a carrier shall have until October 1, 2023, to implement §  
23 33-103 of the Insurance Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act.

24 SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That, except as provided in Section  
25 5 of this Act, a carrier shall have until October 1, 2024, to implement § 33-103(h) of the  
26 Insurance Article, as enacted by Section 1 of this Act.

27 SECTION 5. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the implementation dates set  
28 forth in Sections 3 and 4 of this Act may be deferred for 1 year by a carrier that:

29 (1) has fewer than 25 employees; and

30 (2) if the insurance group of which the carrier is a member has annual  
31 direct written and unaffiliated assumed premium less than \$1,000,000,000, including  
32 international direct and assumed premium but excluding premiums reinsured with the  
33 Federal Crop Insurance Corporation and the Federal Flood Program, has less than:

- 1                   (i)     \$5,000,000 in gross annual revenue;  
2                   (ii)    \$10,000,000 in year-end total assets; or  
3                   (iii)  \$100,000,000 in annual direct written premium, including  
4 international direct and assumed premium but excluding premiums reinsured with the  
5 Federal Crop Insurance Corporation and the Federal Flood Program.

6           SECTION 6. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That it is the intent of the General  
7 Assembly that the Maryland Insurance Commissioner be added as a member to any  
8 Executive Branch council related to cybersecurity.

9           ~~SECTION 5. 6.~~ SECTION 7. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect  
10 October 1, 2022.

Approved:

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Governor.

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President of the Senate.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.