

~~FOR the purpose of repealing the requirement that the chief medical examiner, assistant medical examiner, or deputy medical examiner personally go to the scene of a violent death or suicide, permitting these medical examiners to investigate the causes of death at their office, requiring the police officer or sheriff at the scene of the death to make certain investigations, inventories, and deliveries of certain property at the scene of the crime, exempting certain funeral directors, agents, servants, and employees from the requirement of giving live testimony in any criminal trial resulting from a death, providing that this testimony may be given in written form under certain circumstances, and generally relating to investigations of violent deaths or suicides.~~

FOR the purpose of providing that an investigator of a medical examiner may conduct an investigation in a medical examiner's case; providing that in certain criminal prosecutions, the chain of custody of a body may be established by a statement by the mortician or other person who transported the body to the medical examiner's office; providing for the contents of the statement; providing for the personal appearance of the mortician or other person under certain circumstances; and generally relating to investigations in medical examiners' cases and the chain of custody of a body.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

~~Article 22---Postmortem-Examiners  
Section 6  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1981 Replacement Volume and 1981 Supplement)~~

Article - Health - General  
Section 5-309(c), (d), and (e)  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(As enacted by Chapter \_\_\_\_ (H.B. 200) of  
the Acts of the General Assembly of 1982)

BY renaming

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
Title 10, "Subtitle 10. Controlled Dangerous  
Substances"  
to be "Subtitle 10. Chain of Custody"  
Annotated Code of Maryland  
(1980 Replacement Volume and 1981 Supplement)

BY adding to

Article - Courts and Judicial Proceedings  
The new part, "Part I. Controlled Dangerous  
Substances" to precede Sections 10-1001, 10-1002,