

(II) A STATEMENT THAT THE BODY WAS DELIVERED TO THE MEDICAL EXAMINER ON A CERTAIN DATE ON OR ABOUT A CERTAIN TIME; AND

(III) A STATEMENT THAT THE BODY WAS IN ESSENTIALLY THE SAME CONDITION WHEN DELIVERED TO THE MEDICAL EXAMINER AS WHEN IT WAS TAKEN INTO CUSTODY.

(3) A STATEMENT IS PRIMA FACIE EVIDENCE OF THE FACTS STATED.

(C) (1) IF THE STATE INTENDS TO OFFER THE STATEMENT WITHOUT THE TESTIMONY OF THE MORTICIAN, OR THE MORTICIAN'S AGENT, SERVANT, OR EMPLOYEE, THE STATE SHALL, AT LEAST 25 DAYS BEFORE TRIAL, GIVE THE DEFENDANT OR THE DEFENDANT'S ATTORNEY NOTICE OF ITS INTENTION AND DELIVER A COPY OF THE STATEMENT.

(2) IF THE DEFENDANT DESIRES THAT THE MORTICIAN OR THE MORTICIAN'S AGENT, SERVANT, OR EMPLOYEE, BE PRESENT AND TESTIFY AT TRIAL, THE DEFENDANT SHALL NOTIFY THE STATE AT LEAST 15 DAYS BEFORE TRIAL. IF A TIMELY NOTICE IS GIVEN, THE STATEMENT IS INADMISSIBLE WITHOUT THE TESTIMONY OF THE MORTICIAN, OR THE MORTICIAN'S AGENT, SERVANT, OR EMPLOYEE.

(D) NOTHING IN THIS SECTION PRECLUDES THE RIGHT OF A PARTY TO INTRODUCE ANY EVIDENCE SUPPORTING OR CONTRADICTING THE EVIDENCE CONTAINED IN THE STATEMENT.

SECTION -2- 5 . AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 1982.

Approved June 1, 1982.

CHAPTER 840

(Senate Bill 1090)

AN ACT concerning

National Museum of Ceramic Art

FOR the purpose of changing the name of the Museum of Ceramic Art authorized for creation by State Debt to the National Museum of Ceramic Art; eliminating the requirement that the Museum as authorized be constructed in Columbia, Maryland; making a correction; changing a certain date; and making this Act an emergency measure.