

(II) IF THE UNINSURED MOTORIST INSURER HAS NOT MET THE REQUIREMENTS OF PARAGRAPHS (2) OR (3) OF THIS SUBSECTION.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the provisions of this Act shall apply to any cause of action arising on or after October 1, 1995.

SECTION 2.3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 1995.

Approved May 25, 1995.

CHAPTER 517

(Senate Bill 319)

AN ACT concerning

Disposition Options - ~~Cremation~~ Liability for Costs

FOR the purpose of clarifying that a person with the responsibility for disposing of a dead human body may consider cremation as an option; repealing the requirement that a certain document regarding an individual's wishes regarding the disposition of the individual's remains express the individual's wishes regarding cremation; repealing the requirement that liability for certain costs arising from the disposition of a body, including by cremation, will automatically be imposed on certain persons; and generally relating to the disposition of a body.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health - General

Section 5-502, 5-502.1 and 5-502.2(e) 5-502.2, 5-502.3, 5-502.4, and 5-502.5

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1994 Replacement Volume and 1994 Supplement)

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

Article - Health - General

5-502.

(a) This section does not apply to the disposition of a body by a school of medicine or dentistry.

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this section, a person may not cremate a body until it has been identified by:

(1) The next of kin;

(2) A person who is authorized to arrange for final disposition of the body under [§§ 5-502.1 through 5-502.5] §§ 5-508 THROUGH 5-512 of this subtitle; or