14-309.

The provisions of §§ 14–301 through 14–305 of this subtitle, and any regulations adopted under those sections, shall be of no effect and may not be enforced after July 1, [2000] 2001 2002.

Chapter 116 of the Acts of 1995

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Certification Agency, in consultation with the General Assembly <u>AND THE OFFICE OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL</u>, shall initiate a study of the Minority Business Enterprise Program to evaluate the Program's continued compliance with the requirements of the Croson decision and any subsequent federal or constitutional requirements. The study shall also evaluate race neutral programs and other methods that can be used to address the needs of minority businesses. <u>AN EXECUTIVE SUMMARY OF THE STUDY SHALL BE SUBMITTED TO THE LEGISLATIVE POLICY COMMITTEE OF THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY BY DECEMBER 1, 2000.</u> The final report on the study shall be submitted to the Legislative Policy Committee of the General Assembly prior to <u>September 30 JANUARY 10</u>, [1999] <u>2000 2001</u> so that the General Assembly may review the report prior to DURING the [2000] 2001 Session.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2000.

Approved May 18, 2000.

CHAPTER 497

(Senate Bill 1)

AN ACT concerning

Inheritance Tax - Exemption for Direct Beneficiaries <u>Lineal Beneficiaries</u> and Siblings

FOR the purpose of exempting from the inheritance tax certain property that passes from a decedent to or for the use of certain relatives of a decedent or to or for the use of a corporation owned by certain relatives of a decedent; providing for the application of this Act; and generally relating to an exemption from the inheritance tax for certain property that passes from a decedent to or for the use of certain relatives of a decedent or to or for the use of a corporation owned by certain relatives of a decedent.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article – Tax – General Section 7–203(b) and 7–204 Annotated Code of Maryland (1997 Replacement Volume and 1999 Supplement)