SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall be construed to apply only prospectively and may not be applied or interpreted to have any effect on or application to an estate of a decedent who dies before October 1, 2004.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2004.

Approved May 11, 2004.

## **CHAPTER 299**

(Senate Bill 652)

AN ACT concerning

## Criminal Injuries Compensation Fund - Extension of Time to File Claim

FOR the purpose of altering the time for filing a claim for criminal injuries compensation with the Board of Criminal Injuries Compensation under certain circumstances; altering the time for filing a claim with the Board in a case of child abuse; and generally relating to compensation for criminal injuries.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Criminal Procedure

Section 11-801(a), (b), and (c) and 11-810(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Volume and 2003 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Criminal Procedure

Section 11-809(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2001 Volume and 2003 Supplement)

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

## Article - Criminal Procedure

11-801.

- (a) In this subtitle the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (b) "Board" means the Criminal Injuries Compensation Board.
- (c) "Claimant" means the person filing a claim under this subtitle.

11-809.

(a) (1) A claimant shall file a claim not later than: