

CHAPTER 69

(House Bill 394)

AN ACT concerning

State Postmortem Examiners Commission – Office of the Chief Medical Examiner – Postmortem Examiners Law

FOR the purpose of altering and expanding the requirements for the staff of the State Postmortem Examiners Commission; requiring the Chief Medical Examiner, deputy chief medical examiners, and certain assistant medical examiners to be certified in a certain medical specialty by a certain board; authorizing the Commission to appoint forensic investigators; requiring the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to orally report certain findings and deliver a copy of a certain autopsy report to certain agencies if a case involves the death of a child in certain circumstances; providing that medical examiners who perform autopsies may retain any medical evidence, tissue, or organ needed to carry out the duties of the postmortem examiners law; requiring the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to charge a reasonable fee for certain reports; and generally relating to the State Postmortem Examiners Commission, the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner, and the postmortem examiners law.

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 5–301
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
Article – Health – General
Section 5–305, 5–306(b)(1), 5–309(f), 5–310(b) and (d)(2)(vi), and 5–311(a), (d),
and (e)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2005 Replacement Volume and 2007 Supplement)

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

Article – Health – General