

# HOUSE BILL 891

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By: **Delegates Myers, Bates, Beitzel, Kelly, McKee, Shank, ~~and Stull~~ Stull, and Donoghue**

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## CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Postmortem Examiners Commission – Rate for the Transportation of a Body**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring that a certain appropriation from the State budget  
4 include a provision for a certain rate per mile for the transportation of a body  
5 from the scene of death to a certain location; and generally relating to a  
6 provision for transportation of a body.

7 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,  
8 Article – Health – General  
9 Section 5–305(g)  
10 Annotated Code of Maryland  
11 (2005 Replacement Volume and 2006 Supplement)

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

14 **Article – Health – General**

15 5–305.

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### EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

Underlining indicates amendments to bill.

~~Strike out~~ indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



(g) The State budget shall include an appropriation to carry out this subtitle, including provisions for:

(1) The fee for an authorized pathologist;

(2) The necessary expenses [for transportation of a body for examination by a medical examiner or] for autopsy; [and]

**(3) A RATE OF ~~\$2.75~~ 5 TIMES THE STATE MILEAGE REIMBURSEMENT RATE PER MILE FOR THE TRANSPORTATION OF A BODY FROM THE SCENE OF DEATH TO A DESIGNATED LOCATION; AND**

**[(3)] (4)** In the case of a victim of homicide, the necessary expenses for transportation of the body from the site of the autopsy or examination to a location within the State specified by the victim's family.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect July 1, 2007.

Approved:

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Governor.

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Speaker of the House of Delegates.

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President of the Senate.