**A** **BILL**

TO AMEND SECTION 40‑8‑150, CODE OF LAWS OF SOUTH CAROLINA, 1976, RELATING TO GROUNDS FOR DISCIPLINARY ACTION AGAINST A LICENSED PERPETUAL CARE CEMETERY COMPANY, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT A COMPANY MAY BE DISCIPLINED FOR FAILING TO ACCOMMODATE TIMELY BURIALS AFTER A FUNERAL SERVICE; AND TO AMEND SECTION 40‑19‑110, AS AMENDED, RELATING TO UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT FOR A FUNERAL DIRECTOR, SO AS TO PROVIDE THAT IT IS DEEMED UNPROFESSIONAL CONDUCT FOR A FUNERAL DIRECTOR TO ARRANGE A FUNERAL SERVICE WITHOUT SCHEDULING A TIMELY BURIAL OF THE REMAINS OF THE DECEASED PERSON.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of South Carolina:

SECTION 1. Section 40‑8‑150 of the 1976 Code is amended by adding an appropriately numbered item at the end to read:

“( ) fails to accommodate the timely burial of the remains of a deceased person following a funeral service.”

SECTION 2. Section 40‑19‑110 of the 1976 Code, as last amended by Act 135 of 2018, is further amended by adding an appropriately numbered item at the end to read:

“( ) arranging a funeral service without scheduling or arranging for the timely burial of the remains of the deceased person.”

SECTION 3. This act takes effect upon approval by the Governor.

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