

**Department of Planning and Budget
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State Fiscal Impact Statement**

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ORIGINAL

Bill Number: HB2246 ER **Patron:** Runion

Bill Title: Funerals; disagreements among next of kin.

Bill Summary: Permits funeral service establishments to proceed with funeral and disposition arrangements upon authorization from any next of kin after 30 days have passed since the funeral service establishment learned of a dispute between next of kin. Such procedure may only occur if the funeral service establishment has not received written notice of agreement among the next of kin or a court order resolving the dispute within the 30-day period. The bill also provides that a funeral service establishment shall not be found liable for complying with the provisions of the legislation.

Budget Amendment Necessary: No **Items Impacted:** n/a

Explanation: There is no impact to state expenditures resulting from this legislation. This bill does not require that language changes be made to the proposed Appropriation Act.

Fiscal Summary: There are no expected impacts to state resources resulting from this bill.

Fiscal Analysis: This bill allows for funeral service establishments to proceed with funeral arrangements upon authorization of any next of kin if they have not received a written notice of agreement or a court order outlining a resolution within 30 days of learning of a dispute between next of kin. The bill refers primarily to the actions of funeral service establishments and private individuals and does not lay out specific responsibilities for state agencies; accordingly, there are no expected impacts to state resources.

Other: n/a