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HOUSE BILL DRH40283-MG-105

Short Title: Death Certificates/Add Burial Place/Cremation. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Shepard.

Referred to:

1 A BILL TO BE ENTITLED  
2 AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,  
3 DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH, VITAL RECORDS SECTION, TO DEVELOP A  
4 MECHANISM FOR REGISTERS OF DEED TO AMEND DEATH CERTIFICATES TO  
5 REFLECT THE ACTUAL LOCATION WHERE CREMATED REMAINS ARE BURIED.  
6 The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:  
7 **SECTION 1.** By October 1, 2019, the Department of Health and Human Services,  
8 Division of Public Health, Vital Records Section, shall develop and adopt a mechanism to allow  
9 Registers of Deed, upon the request of a family member who authorized the cremation of a  
10 deceased person, to (i) amend the place of burial on a death certificate to reflect the actual location  
11 where the cremated remains are buried and (ii) report this amendment to the State Registrar.  
12 **SECTION 2.** By November 1, 2019, the Department of Health and Human Services,  
13 Division of Public Health, Vital Records Section, shall report the mechanism adopted pursuant  
14 to Section 1 of this act to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human  
15 Services.  
16 **SECTION 3.** This act is effective when it becomes law.



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