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## Cemetery and Funeral Bureau Advisory Committee Meeting Legislation Update

Legislation Update as of May 1, 2025

<u>SB 777</u>, (Richardson). Abandoned endowment care cemeteries: local agency possession and responsibility.

- This bill would make the require a local agency formation commission for the county in which an abandoned endowment care cemetery is located to identify a local agency to be responsible for the care, maintenance, and embellishment of the cemetery, cemetery, as specified.
- The bill would vest fee title of the cemetery in the county, local agency
  and would restrict the county's local agency's use of the property to uses
  consistent with cemetery purposes and would exempt the county from
  various provisions related to the care of active cemeteries. purposes.
- The bill would give the county local agency title to any endowment care funds of the prior cemetery authority held by the Bureau and would require the county local agency to take possession of all necessary books, records, real property, personal property, and assets of the fund.
- The bill would require the assets to be liquidated, and the proceeds placed in a special fund within the county treasury to be expended on care, maintenance, or embellishment of the abandoned endowment care cemetery.

<u>SB 861</u>, Committee on Business, Professions and Economic Development. Consumer affairs.

 SB 861 would amend various aspects of regulation and licensing across multiple Boards and Bureaus. By amending BPC section 27, the Cemetery and Funeral Bureau shall disclose information on licensed hydrolysis and reduction facilities on the internet, mirroring the requirement to other Bureau license types.

- SB 344, (Pierson). Disposition of human remains: scattering at sea.
  - This bill specifies that these provisions do not allow the scattering of cremated human remains or hydrolyzed human remains from a dock attached to the shore.