

A-Engrossed
House Bill 4073

Ordered by the House February 14
Including House Amendments dated February 14

Sponsored by Representatives SPRENGER, POWER, RESCHKE; Representatives NEARMAN, OLSON (Pre-session filed.)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Permits State Mortuary and Cemetery Board to grant temporary operating permit for cemetery without operating license to perform interment.

[Sunsets January 2, 2020.]

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

Relating to cemeteries; and declaring an emergency.

Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. (1) The State Mortuary and Cemetery Board may grant a temporary operating permit for a cemetery that does not hold a valid license to operate for the purpose of performing an interment. The board may grant the temporary operating permit to a person that holds a license, certificate of authority or registration issued by the board, or to a person who works in the cemetery industry and who the board determines is qualified.

(2) The board may grant the temporary operating permit described in subsection (1) of this section only if a death that necessitates interment has occurred and there is an existing prearrangement sales contract, as defined in ORS 97.923, to which the cemetery is a party.

(3) The board shall adopt rules regarding temporary operating permits. The rules adopted under this subsection must require:

(a) That the person granted the temporary operating permit maintain records; and

(b) That the plot location stated in the existing prearrangement sales contract is verified before the interment.

(4) The board may not charge a fee for a temporary operating permit.

SECTION 2. This 2018 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2018 Act takes effect on its passage.

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter *[italic and bracketed]* is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.