By: **Senators Dyson and Della** Introduced and read first time: February 6, 1998 Assigned to: Finance

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

Funeral Homes - Disclosure

3 FOR the purpose of requiring that funeral establishments disclose on all items that

4 display the name of the funeral establishment the name of any business entity

5 that has an ownership interest in the funeral establishment.

6 BY adding to

7 Article - Health Occupations

8 Section 7-412

9 Annotated Code of Maryland

10 (1994 Replacement Volume and 1997 Supplement)

11 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF

12 MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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Article - Health Occupations

14 7-412.

15 (A) A FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT SHALL DISCLOSE THE NAME OF ANY
16 BUSINESS ENTITY THAT HAS AN OWNERSHIP INTEREST IN THE FUNERAL
17 ESTABLISHMENT ON ALL ITEMS THAT DISPLAY THE NAME OF THE FUNERAL
18 ESTABLISHMENT, INCLUDING ANY ADVERTISEMENTS AND PRICE LISTS.

19 (B) THE REQUIREMENT OF SUBSECTION (A) OF THIS SECTION DOES NOT 20 APPLY TO OBITUARIES OR FUNERAL PROGRAMS.

21 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect 22 October 1, 1998.