

HB1031/236289/1

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 1031
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, strike beginning with “requiring” in line 6 down through “establishments;” in line 10 and substitute “authorizing certain staff members of the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors to call certain supervising morticians and request certain access to certain areas of a funeral establishment under certain circumstances; requiring certain supervising morticians to immediately provide certain staff members with the location of the key or access code to certain areas of a funeral establishment; providing that certain employees are not required to accompany certain staff while the staff conducts certain inspections; requiring certain inspections to be conducted during certain hours; providing for the application of certain provisions of this Act;”; and in line 11, after “licensees” insert “or supervising morticians”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On page 2, strike in their entirety lines 8 through 14, inclusive, and substitute:

“(C) (1) THIS SUBSECTION APPLIES TO INSPECTIONS CONDUCTED:

(I) IN RESPONSE TO VALID INFORMATION PROVIDED TO THE BOARD RESULTING IN A COMPLAINT BEING OPENED BY THE BOARD CONCERNING THE PREPARATION OR BODY STORAGE AREAS OF A LICENSED FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT; OR

(II) OF A FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT THAT THE BOARD HAS PLACED ON PROBATIONARY STATUS IN ACCORDANCE WITH § 7-316(B) OF THIS TITLE.

(Over)

(2) A TRAINED STAFF MEMBER OF THE BOARD WHO IS QUALIFIED TO DO INSPECTIONS MAY CALL THE SUPERVISING MORTICIAN OF A LICENSED FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT, AS DESIGNATED UNDER § 7-310(E) OF THIS TITLE, AND REQUEST IMMEDIATE ACCESS TO THE PREPARATION AND BODY STORAGE AREAS OF THE FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT.

(3) IF A REQUEST IS MADE UNDER PARAGRAPH (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION, THE SUPERVISING MORTICIAN IMMEDIATELY SHALL PROVIDE THE STAFF MEMBER OF THE BOARD WITH THE LOCATION OF THE KEY OR ACCESS CODE TO THE PREPARATION OR BODY STORAGE AREAS OF THE FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT.

(4) AN EMPLOYEE OF A LICENSED FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT IS NOT REQUIRED TO ACCOMPANY A STAFF MEMBER OF THE BOARD WHILE THE STAFF MEMBER CONDUCTS AN INSPECTION OF A PREPARATION OR BODY STORAGE AREA IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBSECTION.”.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 2, after line 14, insert:

“(D) AN UNANNOUNCED INSPECTION OF A LICENSED FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT SHALL BE CONDUCTED DURING THE HOURS THAT THE BUSINESS OF MORTUARY SCIENCE IS BEING CONDUCTED AT THE LICENSED FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT.”;

in line 15, strike “(D)” and substitute “(E)”; and strike beginning with “A” in line 19 down through “TITLE” in line 21 and substitute “THE SUPERVISING MORTICIAN FOR THE LICENSED FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT, AS DESIGNATED UNDER § 7-310(E) OF THIS TITLE”.