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Cemetery and Funeral Bureau Advisory Committee Meeting Regulations Update

Regulations Update as of May 1st, 2023.

- 1. Office of Administrative Law)OAL) approved <u>AB 293</u>, (Kalra, Chapter 514, Statutes of 2021), Preneed funeral arrangements:unclaimed property on February 9, 2023. The new law establishes procedures for when and how preneed funeral arrangements that are not claimed upon the beneficiary's death should escheat to the state under the Unclaimed Property Law. It also requires a funeral establishment that intends to cease operations to provide notice to beneficiaries or trustors and trustees of preneed funeral trusts, with certain requirements.
- 2. Office of Administrative Law (OAL) approved Section 100 Change Without Regulatory Effect. SB 1443, (Roth, Chapter 625, Statutes of 2021) enacted amendments to Business and Professions Code (BPC) sections which fixes fees the Bureau has established. The new Fee Schedule has been posted on our website. It repealed over 18 CCRs (1257, 2310, 2311, 2312, 2313, 2314, 2315, 2316, 2317, 2317.1, 2318, 2320, 2321, 2322, 2323, 2324, 2326, and 2328).
- 3. Office of Administrative Law (OAL) regulatory package for <u>SB 800</u>. In 2017, the Legislature passed Senate Bill (SB) 800 (Committee on Professions, Business Professions and Economic Development, Chapter 573, Statutes of 2017), amending BPC section 7713(a) to authorize "licensed crematories within close geographical proximity of each other to request the Bureau to allow a licensed crematory manager to manage, supervise, and direct the business or profession of more than one facility.
- 4. The Bureau continues to work on Regulatory package for <u>AB 1381</u>, (Obernolte, Chapter 150, Statutes of 2017). This bill authorized a funeral establishment, instead of a funeral director, to submit an application to the Cemetery and Funeral Bureau if it wishes to have an apprentice embalmer at the establishment. Additionally, this bill authorized the funeral establishment to have a trade embalmer, hired by the establishment on a case-by-case basis, for purposes of satisfying the apprentice embalmer application requirements. (Amends Business and Professions Code section 7670. The Bureau is amending Title 16, California Code of Regulations section 1230.