

CEMETERY AND FUNERAL BUREAU

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Cemetery and Funeral Bureau Advisory Committee Meeting Regulations Update

Regulations Update as of May 1st, 2022.

- AB 926, (Irwin, Chapter 750, Statutes of 2017) and AB 795, (Irwin, Chapter 309, Statutes of 2019), Cemeteries: Endowment Care Funds. The Office of Administrative Law (OAL) approved the rulemaking file, and it became effective on January 5, 2022.
- 2. AB 830, (Flora, Chapter 376, Statutes of 2021), Business: Department of Consumer Affairs: licensed professions and vocations This bill amended Health and Safety Code (HSC) section 8726.2(b)(3). On February 2, 2022, the Bureau filed a Section 100, Publication of "Changes without Regulatory Effect" with OAL. This action without regulatory effect amends the type of work experience required for a cemetery authority can apply to the Bureau for approval to convert from the net-income-distribution method of endowment care trust fund administration to the unitrust-distribution method. OAL approved this action on March 17, 2022.
- 3. Review of Proposed Language and Notices for AB 293, (Kalra, Chapter 514, Statutes of 2021), Preneed funeral arrangements: unclaimed property.
 - This bill has a delayed implementation date of January 1, 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.
 - 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.