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- A BILL to amend and reenact §§ 6.1-5, [32.1-325,] 54.1-2820, and 54.1-2822 of the Code of Virginia, relating to arrangements for payment of burial and funeral expenses.
- Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:

9 1. That §§ 6.1-5, [32.1-325,] 54.1-2820, and 54.1-2822 of the Code of Virginia are amended and 10 reenacted as follows:

11 § 6.1-5. Who shall not do a banking or trust business.

12 No person, copartnership or corporation, except corporations duly chartered and already conducting the banking business or trust business in this Commonwealth under authority of the laws of this 13 Commonwealth or the United States, or which shall hereafter be incorporated under the laws of this 14 15 Commonwealth or authorized to do business in this Commonwealth under the banking laws of the United States, and except banks which may be authorized, after July 1, 1995, to establish and operate 16 17 one or more branches in this Commonwealth under Article 5.1 (§ 6.1-44.1 et seq.) or 5.2 (§ 6.1-44.15 et seq.) of this chapter, and except trust companies or institutions that may be authorized to establish and 18 operate one or more trust offices or conduct business in this Commonwealth under Article 3.1 19 20 (§ 6.1-32.1 et seq.), Article 3.2 (§ 6.1-32.11 et seq.), Article 3.2:1 (§ 6.1-32.30:1 et seq.) or Article 3.3 21 (§ 6.1-32.31 et seq.) of this chapter, shall engage in the banking business or trust business in this Commonwealth, and no foreign corporation, except as permitted in Chapter 14 (§ 6.1-390 et seq.) and 22 Chapter 15 (§ 6.1-398 et seq.) of this title, shall do a banking or trust business in this Commonwealth. 23 24 Nothing in this chapter, however, shall:

(1). Prevent a natural person from qualifying and acting as trustee, personal representative, guardian, conservator, committee or in any other fiduciary capacity,

(2). Prevent any person or copartnership or corporation from lending money on real estate and personal security or collateral, or from guaranteeing the payment of bonds, notes, bills and other obligations, or from purchasing or selling stocks and bonds, or

30 (3). Prevent any bank or trust company organized under the laws of this Commonwealth from
31 qualifying and acting in another state or in the District of Columbia, as trustee, personal representative,
32 guardian of a minor, conservator or committee or in any other fiduciary capacity, when permitted so to
33 do by the laws of such other state or District; or

4. Prevent an incorporated association that is authorized to sell burial association group life
insurance certificates in the Commonwealth, as described in the definition of limited burial insurance
authority in § 38.2-1800, whose principal purpose is to assist its members in (i) financial planning for
their funerals and burials and (ii) obtaining insurance for the payment, in whole or in part, for funeral,
burial, and related expenses, from serving as trustee of a trust established pursuant to § 54.1-2822.

39 Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent banks or trust companies organized in this40 Commonwealth and chartered under the laws of the United States from transacting business in Virginia.

Nothing in this section shall be construed to prevent a real estate broker as defined in § 54.1-2100
from owning or operating a bank provided that the requirements of this chapter are met.

43 [§ 32.1-325. Board to submit plan for medical assistance services to Secretary of Health and Human
 44 Services pursuant to federal law; administration of plan; contracts with health care providers.

45 A. The Board, subject to the approval of the Governor, is authorized to prepare, amend from time to
46 time and submit to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health and Human Services a state
47 plan for medical assistance services pursuant to Title XIX of the United States Social Security Act and
48 any amendments thereto. The Board shall include in such plan:

49 1. A provision for payment of medical assistance on behalf of individuals, up to the age of 21,
50 placed in foster homes or private institutions by private, nonprofit agencies licensed as child-placing
51 agencies by the Department of Social Services or placed through state and local subsidized adoptions to
52 the extent permitted under federal statute;

53 2. A provision for determining eligibility for benefits for medically needy individuals which 54 disregards from countable resources an amount not in excess of \$3,500 \$7,000 for the individual and an 55 amount not in excess of \$3,500 \$7,000 for his spouse when such resources have been set aside to meet 56 the burial expenses of the individual or his spouse. The amount disregarded shall be reduced by (i) the 57 face value of life insurance on the life of an individual owned by the individual or his spouse if the 58 cash surrender value of such policies has been excluded from countable resources and (ii) the amount of 59 any other revocable or irrevocable trust, contract, or other arrangement specifically designated for the HB1953EH1

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60 purpose of meeting the individual's or his spouse's burial expenses;

3. A requirement that, in determining eligibility, a home shall be disregarded. For those medically 61 62 needy persons whose eligibility for medical assistance is required by federal law to be dependent on the budget methodology for Aid to Families with Dependent Children, a home means the house and lot used 63 as the principal residence and all contiguous property. For all other persons, a home shall mean the 64 house and lot used as the principal residence, as well as all contiguous property, as long as the value of 65 the land, exclusive of the lot occupied by the house, does not exceed \$5,000. In any case in which the 66 definition of home as provided here is more restrictive than that provided in the state plan for medical 67 assistance services in Virginia as it was in effect on January 1, 1972, then a home means the house and 68 69 lot used as the principal residence and all contiguous property essential to the operation of the home 70 regardless of value;

4. A provision for payment of medical assistance on behalf of individuals up to the age of 21, who 71 72 are Medicaid eligible, for medically necessary stays in acute care facilities in excess of 21 days per 73 admission:

74 5. A provision for deducting from an institutionalized recipient's income an amount for the 75 maintenance of the individual's spouse at home;

6. A provision for payment of medical assistance on behalf of pregnant women which provides for 76 77 payment for inpatient postpartum treatment in accordance with the medical criteria outlined in the most 78 current version of or an official update to the "Guidelines for Perinatal Care" prepared by the American 79 Academy of Pediatrics and the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists or the "Standards for Obstetric-Gynecologic Services" prepared by the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists. Payment shall be made for any postpartum home visit or visits for the mothers and the 80 81 children which are within the time periods recommended by the attending physicians in accordance with 82 and as indicated by such Guidelines or Standards. For the purposes of this subdivision, such Guidelines 83 or Standards shall include any changes thereto within six months of the publication of such Guidelines 84 85 or Standards or any official amendment thereto;

7. A provision for the payment for family planning services on behalf of women who were 86 87 Medicaid-eligible for prenatal care and delivery as provided in this section at the time of delivery. Such family planning services shall begin with delivery and continue for a period of 24 months, if the woman 88 89 continues to meet the financial eligibility requirements for a pregnant woman under Medicaid. For the 90 purposes of this section, family planning services shall not cover payment for abortion services and no 91 funds shall be used to perform, assist, encourage or make direct referrals for abortions;

92 8. A provision for payment of medical assistance for high-dose chemotherapy and bone marrow transplants on behalf of individuals over the age of 21 who have been diagnosed with lymphoma, breast 93 cancer, myeloma, or leukemia and have been determined by the treating health care provider to have a 94 performance status sufficient to proceed with such high dose chemotherapy and bone marrow transplant. 95 Appeals of these cases shall be handled in accordance with the Department's expedited appeals process; 96

97 9. A provision identifying entities approved by the Board to receive applications and to determine 98 eligibility for medical assistance;

99 10. A provision for breast reconstructive surgery following the medically necessary removal of a 100 breast for any medical reason. Breast reductions shall be covered, if prior authorization has been obtained, for all medically necessary indications. Such procedures shall be considered noncosmetic; 101 102

11. A provision for payment of medical assistance for annual pap smears;

103 12. A provision for payment of medical assistance services for prostheses following the medically 104 necessary complete or partial removal of a breast for any medical reason;

105 13. A provision for payment of medical assistance which provides for payment for 48 hours of 106 inpatient treatment for a patient following a radical or modified radical mastectomy and 24 hours of inpatient care following a total mastectomy or a partial mastectomy with lymph node dissection for treatment of disease or trauma of the breast. Nothing in this subdivision shall be construed as requiring 107 108 109 the provision of inpatient coverage where the attending physician in consultation with the patient 110 determines that a shorter period of hospital stay is appropriate;

111 14. A requirement that certificates of medical necessity for durable medical equipment and any 112 supporting verifiable documentation shall be signed, dated, and returned by the physician, physician assistant, or nurse practitioner and in the durable medical equipment provider's possession within 60 113 days from the time the ordered durable medical equipment and supplies are first furnished by the 114 115 durable medical equipment provider;

15. A provision for payment of medical assistance to (i) persons age 50 and over and (ii) persons 116 117 age 40 and over who are at high risk for prostate cancer, according to the most recent published guidelines of the American Cancer Society, for one PSA test in a 12-month period and digital rectal 118 examinations, all in accordance with American Cancer Society guidelines. For the purpose of this 119 subdivision, "PSA testing" means the analysis of a blood sample to determine the level of prostate 120 121 specific antigen;

122 16. A provision for payment of medical assistance for low-dose screening mammograms for 123 determining the presence of occult breast cancer. Such coverage shall make available one screening 124 mammogram to persons age 35 through 39, one such mammogram biennially to persons age 40 through 125 49, and one such mammogram annually to persons age 50 and over. The term "mammogram" means an 126 X-ray examination of the breast using equipment dedicated specifically for mammography, including but 127 not limited to the X-ray tube, filter, compression device, screens, film and cassettes, with an average 128 radiation exposure of less than one rad mid-breast, two views of each breast;

129 17. A provision, when in compliance with federal law and regulation and approved by the Centers
 130 for Medicare & Medicaid Services (CMS), for payment of medical assistance services delivered to
 131 Medicaid-eligible students when such services qualify for reimbursement by the Virginia Medicaid
 132 program and may be provided by school divisions;

133 18. A provision for payment of medical assistance services for liver, heart and lung transplantation 134 procedures for individuals over the age of 21 years when (i) there is no effective alternative medical or 135 surgical therapy available with outcomes that are at least comparable; (ii) the transplant procedure and 136 application of the procedure in treatment of the specific condition have been clearly demonstrated to be 137 medically effective and not experimental or investigational; (iii) prior authorization by the Department of 138 Medical Assistance Services has been obtained; (iv) the patient selection criteria of the specific 139 transplant center where the surgery is proposed to be performed have been used by the transplant team 140 or program to determine the appropriateness of the patient for the procedure; (v) current medical therapy 141 has failed and the patient has failed to respond to appropriate therapeutic management; (vi) the patient is 142 not in an irreversible terminal state; and (vii) the transplant is likely to prolong the patient's life and 143 restore a range of physical and social functioning in the activities of daily living;

144 19. A provision for payment of medical assistance for colorectal cancer screening, specifically 145 screening with an annual fecal occult blood test, flexible sigmoidoscopy or colonoscopy, or in 146 appropriate circumstances radiologic imaging, in accordance with the most recently published 147 recommendations established by the American College of Gastroenterology, in consultation with the 148 American Cancer Society, for the ages, family histories, and frequencies referenced in such 149 recommendations;

150 20. A provision for payment of medical assistance for custom ocular prostheses;

151 21. A provision for payment for medical assistance for infant hearing screenings and all necessary audiological examinations provided pursuant to § 32.1-64.1 using any technology approved by the 153 United States Food and Drug Administration, and as recommended by the national Joint Committee on 154 Infant Hearing in its most current position statement addressing early hearing detection and intervention 155 programs. Such provision shall include payment for medical assistance for follow-up audiological 156 examinations as recommended by a physician assistant, nurse practitioner, or audiologist and 157 performed by a licensed audiologist to confirm the existence or absence of hearing loss;

158 22. A provision for payment of medical assistance, pursuant to the Breast and Cervical Cancer 159 Prevention and Treatment Act of 2000 (P.L. 106-354), for certain women with breast or cervical cancer 160 when such women (i) have been screened for breast or cervical cancer under the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) Breast and Cervical Cancer Early Detection Program established under 161 162 Title XV of the Public Health Service Act; (ii) need treatment for breast or cervical cancer, including 163 treatment for a precancerous condition of the breast or cervix; (iii) are not otherwise covered under ereditable coverage, as defined in § 2701 (c) of the Public Health Service Act; (iv) are not otherwise 164 eligible for medical assistance services under any mandatory categorically needy eligibility group; and 165 166 (v) have not attained age 65. This provision shall include an expedited eligibility determination for such 167 women;

168 23. A provision for the coordinated administration, including outreach, enrollment, re-enrollment and 169 services delivery, of medical assistance services provided to medically indigent children pursuant to this 170 chapter, which shall be called Family Access to Medical Insurance Security (FAMIS) Plus and the 171 FAMIS Plan program in § 32.1-351. A single application form shall be used to determine eligibility for 172 both programs; and

173 24. A provision, when authorized by and in compliance with federal law, to establish a public-private 174 long-term care partnership program between the Commonwealth of Virginia and private insurance 175 companies that shall be established through the filing of an amendment to the state plan for medical 176 assistance services by the Department of Medical Assistance Services. The purpose of the program shall 177 be to reduce Medicaid costs for long-term care by delaying or eliminating dependence on Medicaid for 178 such services through encouraging the purchase of private long-term care insurance policies that have 179 been designated as qualified state long-term care insurance partnerships and may be used as the first 180 source of benefits for the participant's long-term care. Components of the program, including the 181 treatment of assets for Medicaid eligibility and estate recovery, shall be structured in accordance with 182 federal law and applicable federal guidelines.

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183 B. In preparing the plan, the Board shall:

184 1. Work cooperatively with the State Board of Health to ensure that quality patient care is provided
 185 and that the health, safety, security, rights and welfare of patients are ensured.

186 2. Initiate such cost containment or other measures as are set forth in the appropriation act.

187 3. Make, adopt, promulgate and enforce such regulations as may be necessary to carry out the 188 provisions of this chapter.

4. Examine, before acting on a regulation to be published in the Virginia Register of Regulations pursuant to § 2.2-4007, the potential fiscal impact of such regulation on local boards of social services. For regulations with potential fiscal impact, the Board shall share copies of the fiscal impact analysis with local boards of social services prior to submission to the Registrar. The fiscal impact analysis shall include the projected costs/savings to the local boards of social services to implement or comply with such regulation.

196 5. Incorporate sanctions and remedies for certified nursing facilities established by state law, in
 197 accordance with 42 C.F.R. § 488.400 et seq. "Enforcement of Compliance for Long-Term Care Facilities
 198 With Deficiencies."

6. On and after July 1, 2002, require that a prescription benefit card, health insurance benefit card, or other technology that complies with the requirements set forth in § 38.2-3407.4:2 be issued to each recipient of medical assistance services, and shall upon any changes in the required data elements set forth in subsection A of § 38.2-3407.4:2, either reissue the card or provide recipients such corrective information as may be required to electronically process a prescription claim.

C. In order to enable the Commonwealth to continue to receive federal grants or reimbursement for medical assistance or related services, the Board, subject to the approval of the Governor, may adopt, regardless of any other provision of this chapter, such amendments to the state plan for medical assistance services as may be necessary to conform such plan with amendments to the United States Social Security Act or other relevant federal law and their implementing regulations or constructions of these laws and regulations by courts of competent jurisdiction or the United States Secretary of Health and Human Services.

211 In the event conforming amendments to the state plan for medical assistance services are adopted, the 212 Board shall not be required to comply with the requirements of Article 2 (§ 2.2-4006 et seq.) of Chapter 213 40 of Title 2.2. However, the Board shall, pursuant to the requirements of § 2.2-4002, (i) notify the 214 Registrar of Regulations that such amendment is necessary to meet the requirements of federal law or 215 regulations or because of the order of any state or federal court, or (ii) certify to the Governor that the regulations are necessitated by an emergency situation. Any such amendments that are in conflict with 216 the Code of Virginia shall only remain in effect until July 1 following adjournment of the next regular 217 218 session of the General Assembly unless enacted into law.

D. The Director of Medical Assistance Services is authorized to:

Administer such state plan and receive and expend federal funds therefor in accordance with applicable federal and state laws and regulations; and enter into all contracts necessary or incidental to the performance of the Department's duties and the execution of its powers as provided by law.

223 2. Enter into agreements and contracts with medical care facilities, physicians, dentists and other 224 health care providers where necessary to carry out the provisions of such state plan. Any such agreement 225 or contract shall terminate upon conviction of the provider of a felony. In the event such conviction is 226 reversed upon appeal, the provider may apply to the Director of Medical Assistance Services for a new 227 agreement or contract. Such provider may also apply to the Director for reconsideration of the 228 agreement or contract termination if the conviction is not appealed, or if it is not reversed upon appeal.

3. Refuse to enter into or renew an agreement or contract with any provider who has been convicted
 of a felony.

4. Refuse to enter into or renew an agreement or contract with a provider who is or has been a principal in a professional or other corporation when such corporation has been convicted of a felony.

E. In any case in which a Medicaid agreement or contract is denied to a provider on the basis of his
interest in a convicted professional or other corporation, the Director shall, upon request, conduct a
hearing in accordance with the Administrative Process Act (§ 2.2-4000 et seq.) regarding the provider's
participation in the conduct resulting in the conviction.

237 The Director's decision upon reconsideration shall be consistent with federal and state laws. The
 238 Director may consider the nature and extent of any adverse impact the agreement or contract denial or
 239 termination may have on the medical care provided to Virginia Medicaid recipients.

F. When the services provided for by such plan are services which a marriage and family therapist,
clinical psychologist, elinical social worker, professional counselor, or elinical nurse specialist is licensed
to render in Virginia, the Director shall contract with any duly licensed marriage and family therapist,
duly licensed elinical psychologist, licensed clinical social worker, licensed professional counselor or
licensed elinical nurse specialist who makes application to be a provider of such services, and thereafter

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245 shall pay for covered services as provided in the state plan. The Board shall promulgate regulations which reimburse licensed marriage and family therapists, licensed clinical psychologists, licensed clinical 246 social workers, licensed professional counselors and licensed clinical nurse specialists at rates based 247 248 upon reasonable criteria, including the professional credentials required for licensure.

249 G. The Board shall prepare and submit to the Secretary of the United States Department of Health 250 and Human Services such amendments to the state plan for medical assistance services as may be 251 permitted by federal law to establish a program of family assistance whereby children over the age of 18 252 years shall make reasonable contributions, as determined by regulations of the Board, toward the cost of 253 providing medical assistance under the plan to their parents.

254 H. The Department of Medical Assistance Services shall:

255 1. Include in its provider networks and all of its health maintenance organization contracts a 256 provision for the payment of medical assistance on behalf of individuals up to the age of 21 who have 257 special needs and who are Medicaid eligible, including individuals who have been victims of child abuse 258 and neglect, for medically necessary assessment and treatment services, when such services are delivered 259 by a provider which specializes solely in the diagnosis and treatment of child abuse and neglect, or a provider with comparable expertise, as determined by the Director. 260

261 2. Amend the Medallion II waiver and its implementing regulations to develop and implement an 262 exception, with procedural requirements, to mandatory enrollment for certain children between birth and 263 age three certified by the Department of Mental Health, Mental Retardation and Substance Abuse 264 Services as eligible for services pursuant to Part C of the Individuals with Disabilities Education Act (20 265 U.S.C. § 1471 et seq.).

266 I. The Director is authorized to negotiate and enter into agreements for services rendered to eligible 267 recipients with special needs. The Board shall promulgate regulations regarding these special needs 268 patients, to include persons with AIDS, ventilator-dependent patients, and other recipients with special 269 needs as defined by the Board.

J. Except as provided in subdivision A 1 of § 2.2-4345, the provisions of the Virginia Public 270 271 Procurement Act (§ 2.2-4300 et seq.) shall not apply to the activities of the Director authorized by 272 subsection I of this section. Agreements made pursuant to this subsection shall comply with federal law 273 and regulation. 274

§ 54.1-2820. Requirements of preneed funeral contracts.

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275 A. It shall be unlawful for any person residing or doing business within this Commonwealth, to 276 make, either directly or indirectly by any means, a preneed funeral contract unless the contract:

277 1. Is made on forms prescribed by the Board and is written in clear, understandable language and 278 printed in easy-to-read type, size and style;

279 2. Identifies the seller, seller's license number and contract buyer and the person for whom the 280 contract is purchased if other than the contract buyer;

3. Contains a complete description of the supplies or services purchased;

4. Clearly discloses whether the price of the supplies and services purchased is guaranteed;

283 5. States if funds are required to be trusted pursuant to § 54.1-2822, the amount to be trusted, the name of the trustee, the disposition of the interest, the fees, expenses and taxes which may be deducted 284 from the interest and a statement of the buyer's responsibility for taxes owed on the interest; 285

286 6. Contains the name, address and telephone number of the Board and lists the Board as the 287 regulatory agency which handles consumer complaints;

288 7. Provides that any person who makes payment under the contract may terminate the agreement at 289 any time prior to the furnishing of the services or supplies contracted for except as provided pursuant to subsection B; if the purchaser terminates the contract within 30 days of execution, the purchaser shall be 290 291 refunded all consideration paid or delivered, together with any interest or income accrued thereon; if the 292 purchaser terminates the contract after 30 days, the purchaser shall be refunded any amounts required to 293 be deposited under § 54.1-2822, together with any interest or income accrued thereon;

294 8. Provides that if the particular supplies and services specified in the contract are unavailable at the 295 time of delivery, the seller shall be required to furnish supplies and services similar in style and at least equal in quality of material and workmanship and the representative of the deceased shall have the right 296 297 to choose the supplies or services to be substituted;

298 9. Discloses any penalties or restrictions, including but not limited to geographic restrictions or the 299 inability of the provider to perform, on the delivery of merchandise, services or prearrangement 300 guarantee; and

301 10. Complies with all disclosure requirements imposed by the Board.

302 If the contract seller will not be furnishing the supplies and services to the purchaser, the contract 303 seller must attach to the preneed funeral contract a copy of the seller's agreement with the provider.

B. Subject to the requirements of § 54.1-2822, a preneed funeral contract may provide for an 304 irrevocable trust or an amount in an irrevocable trust that is specifically identified as available 305

306 exclusively for funeral or burial expenses, where:

307 1. A person irrevocably contracts for funeral goods and services, such person funds the contract by 308 prepaying for the goods and services, and the funeral provider residing or doing business within the 309 Commonwealth subsequently places the funds in a trust; or

310 2. A person establishes an irrevocable trust naming the funeral provider as the beneficiary; however, 311 such person shall have the right to change the beneficiary to another funeral provider pursuant to 312 § 54.1-2822.

313 C. If a life insurance or annuity contract is used to fund the preneed funeral contract, the life 314 insurance or annuity contract shall provide either that the face value thereof shall be adjusted annually by a factor equal to the annualized Consumer Price Index as published by the Office of Management 315 316 and Budget of the United States Bureau of Labor Statistics of the United States Department of Labor, or a benefit payable at death under such contract that will equal or exceed the sum of all premiums paid 317 318 for such contract plus interest or dividends, which for the first 15 years shall be compounded annually at 319 a rate of at least five percent. In any event, interest or dividends shall continue to be paid after 15 years. 320 In addition, the following must also be disclosed as prescribed by the Board:

321 1. The fact that a life insurance policy or annuity contract is involved or being used to fund the 322 preneed contract;

323 2. The nature of the relationship among the soliciting agent, the provider of the supplies or services, 324 the prearranger and the insurer;

325 3. The relationship of the life insurance policy or annuity contract to the funding of the preneed 326 contract and the nature and existence of any guarantees relating to the preneed contract; and

327 4. The impact on the preneed contract of (i) any changes in the life insurance policy or annuity 328 contract including but not limited to changes in the assignment, beneficiary designation or use of the proceeds, (ii) any penalties to be incurred by the policyholder as a result of failure to make premium 329 330 payments, (iii) any penalties to be incurred or moneys to be received as a result of cancellation or 331 surrender of the life insurance policy or annuity contract, and (iv) all relevant information concerning 332 what occurs and whether any entitlements or obligations arise if there is a difference between the 333 proceeds of the life insurance policy or annuity contract and the amount actually needed to fund the 334 preneed contract.

335 D. When the consideration consists in whole or in part of any real estate, the contract shall be 336 recorded as an attachment to the deed whereby such real estate is conveyed, and the deed shall be 337 recorded in the clerk's office of the circuit court of the city or county in which the real estate being 338 conveyed is located.

339 E. If any funeral supplies are sold and delivered prior to the death of the subject for whom they are 340 provided, and the seller or any legal entity in which he or a member of his family has an interest 341 thereafter stores these supplies, the risk of loss or damage shall be upon the seller during such period of 342 storage. 343

§ 54.1-2822. Deposit of money received pursuant to preneed funeral contract.

344 A. Within thirty days following the receipt of any money paid pursuant to any preneed funeral 345 contract or interest or income accrued thereon, unless such amounts are paid to fund either an annuity or an insurance policy which will be used to purchase the funeral supplies or services contracted for, the 346 person receiving such amounts shall deposit all consideration paid pursuant to the terms of a preneed 347 348 funeral contract in which the price of the supplies and services is not guaranteed, or ninety percent of all 349 consideration paid pursuant to the terms of a preneed funeral contract in which the price of the supplies 350 and services is guaranteed, in a special account in a bank or savings institution doing business in this 351 Commonwealth.

352 B. The funds shall be deposited in separate, identifiable trust accounts setting forth the names of the 353 depositor, the trustee for the person who is the subject of the contract, the name of the person who will 354 render the funeral services and the name of the person who is the subject of the contract. The purchaser 355 shall have the right to change the beneficiary and trustee of the trust at any time prior to the furnishing 356 of the services or supplies contracted for under the preneed funeral contract. Trust account records shall 357 be subject to examination by the Board.

358 C. No funeral director, embalmer, funeral service licensee, owner of a funeral establishment, or any 359 person employed by or having an interest in a funeral establishment shall serve as trustee of a trust 360 account for which any such person, or any funeral establishment owned by or employing such person or 361 in which such person has an interest, has been named the beneficiary or designated the provider of services, unless two or more such persons are named and serve as trustees and are required to act jointly 362 363 in such fiduciary capacity. Subject to the terms of this subsection, and notwithstanding any other 364 provision of law, the trustee for any such trust account may be an incorporated association that is 365 authorized to sell burial association group life insurance certificates in the Commonwealth, as described in the definition of limited burial insurance authority in § 38.2-1800, whose principal purpose is to 366 367 assist its members in (i) financial planning for their funerals and burials and (ii) obtaining insurance

³⁶⁸ for the payment, in whole or in part, for funeral, burial, and related expenses.