

1 VIRGINIA ACTS OF ASSEMBLY — CHAPTER

2 *An Act to amend and reenact § 54.1-2800 of the Code of Virginia, relating to the Board of Funeral*
3 *Directors and Embalmers; definitions.*

4 [S 1090]

5 Approved

6 **Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Virginia:**7 **1. That § 54.1-2800 of the Code of Virginia is amended and reenacted as follows:**

8 § 54.1-2800. Definitions.

9 As used in this chapter, unless the context requires a different meaning:

10 "Advertisement" means any information disseminated or placed before the public.

11 "At-need" means at the time of death or while death is imminent.

12 "Board" means the Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers.

13 "Embalmer" means any person engaged in the practice of embalming.

14 "Embalming" means the preservation and disinfection of the human dead by external or internal
15 application of chemicals.16 "Funeral directing" means the for-profit profession of directing or supervising funerals ~~or~~, preparing
17 human dead for burial by means other than embalming, *or making arrangements for funeral services or*
18 *the financing of funeral services.*

19 "Funeral director" means any person engaged in the practice of funeral directing.

20 "Funeral service establishment" means any main establishment, branch or chapel *which is*
21 *permanently affixed to the real estate and for which a certificate of occupancy has been issued by the*
22 *local building official* where any part of the profession of funeral directing or the act of embalming is
23 performed.

24 "Funeral service licensee" means a person who is licensed in the practice of funeral services.

25 "In-person communication" means face-to-face communication and telephonic communication.

26 "Next of kin" means any of the following: legal spouse, child over eighteen years of age, custodial
27 parent, noncustodial parent, siblings over eighteen years of age, guardian of minor child, guardian of
28 minor siblings, maternal grandparents, paternal grandparents, maternal siblings over eighteen years of
29 age and paternal siblings over eighteen years of age, or any other relative in the descending order of
30 blood relationship.31 "Practice of funeral services" means engaging in the care and disposition of the human dead, the
32 preparation of the human dead for the funeral service, burial or cremation, the making of arrangements
33 for the funeral service or for the financing of the funeral service and the selling or making of financial
34 arrangements for the sale of funeral supplies to the public.

35 "Preneed" means at any time other than at-need.

36 "Preneed funeral contract" means any agreement where payment is made by the consumer prior to
37 the receipt of services or supplies contracted for, which evidences arrangements prior to death for: (i)
38 the providing of funeral services or (ii) the sale of funeral supplies.39 "Preneed funeral planning" means the making of arrangements prior to death for: (i) the providing of
40 funeral services or (ii) the sale of funeral supplies.41 "Resident trainee" means a person who is preparing to be licensed for the practice of funeral services
42 under the direct supervision of a practitioner licensed by the Board.43 "Solicitation" means initiating contact with consumers with the intent of influencing their selection of
44 a funeral plan or funeral service provider.

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