
HOUSE BILL 1069

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By Representatives Alexander and Moeller

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1 AN ACT Relating to the disposition of unclaimed remains; and
2 amending RCW 36.24.155.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 36.24.155 and 2009 c 549 s 4038 are each amended to
5 read as follows:

6 Whenever anyone shall die within a county without making prior
7 plans for the disposition of his or her body and there is no other
8 person willing to provide for the disposition of the body, the county
9 coroner shall cause such body to be entrusted to a funeral home in the
10 county where the body is found. Except in counties where the county
11 coroner or medical examiner has established a preferred funeral home
12 using a qualified bidding process, disposition shall be on a rotation
13 basis, which shall treat equally all funeral homes or mortuaries
14 desiring to participate, such rotation to be established by the coroner
15 after consultation with representatives of the funeral homes or
16 mortuaries in the county or counties involved.

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