Public Chapters 107th and 108th General Assemblies Recently Enacted Laws Regarding

the Funeral and Cemetery Industries

Funeral:

Public Chapter No. 437 - http://www.tn.gov/sos/acts/108/pub/pc0437.pdf

As enacted, requires persons to register on or after January 1, 2014, with the Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers prior to operating a removal service that arranges, directs, supervises or performs the transportation of human remains; clarifies other provisions related to licensure and regulation.

Public Chapter No. 694 - http://www.tn.gov/sos/acts/107/pub/pc0694.pdf

As enacted, authorizes instead of requires that governor select some members of board of funeral directors and embalmers from lists of nominees submitted by Tennessee Funeral Directors Association and Tennessee Funeral Directors and Morticians Association, and other interested funeral director and mortician groups.

Public Chapter No. 738 - http://www.tn.gov/sos/acts/107/pub/pc0738.pdf

As enacted, extends the date from December 31, 2010, to June 30, 2011, for apprentices and mortuary school students to complete all requirements to become licensed as a funeral director or embalmer.

Public Chapter 799 - http://www.tn.gov/sos/acts/107/pub/pc0799.pdf

As enacted, revises certain provisions governing licenses that become invalid due to nonrenewal; clarifies that the operator of a crematory facility must obtain a permit for cremation of human remains prior to performing a cremation.

Public Chapter No. 828 - http://www.tn.gov/sos/acts/107/pub/pc0828.pdf

As enacted, establishes priority of right to the disposition of human remains and limits certain liability of funeral establishments and funeral directors.

Cemetery:

Public Chapter 490 - http://www.tn.gov/sos/acts/107/pub/pc0490.pdf

As enacted, exempts income derived from cemetery trusts from state and local taxation.

Public Chapter 560 - http://www.tn.gov/sos/acts/107/pub/pc0560.pdf

As enacted, repeals the cemetery advisory board.