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State of Illinois

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HB5483

by Rep. Michael J. Madigan

SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

760 ILCS 100/2a

from Ch. 21, par. 64.2a

Amends the Cemetery Care Act. Makes a technical change in a Section concerning powers and duties of cemetery authorities.

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AN ACT concerning civil law.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois, represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Cemetery Care Act is amended by changing
Section 2a as follows:

6 (760 ILCS 100/2a) (from Ch. 21, par. 64.2a)

Sec. 2a. Powers <u>and</u> and duties of cemetery authorities;
cemetery property maintained by cemetery care funds.

9 (a) With respect to cemetery property maintained by 10 cemetery care funds, a cemetery authority shall be responsible 11 for the performance of:

12 (1) the care and maintenance of the cemetery property13 it owns; and

14 (2) the opening and closing of all graves, crypts, or15 niches for human remains in any cemetery property it owns.

(b) A cemetery authority owning, operating, controlling or managing a privately operated cemetery shall make available for inspection, and upon reasonable request provide a copy of, its rules and regulations and its current prices of interment, inurnment, or entombment rights.

(c) A cemetery authority owning, operating, controlling or
 managing a privately operated cemetery may, from time to time
 as land in its cemetery may be required for burial purposes,

survey and subdivide those lands and make and file in its 1 2 office a map thereof delineating the lots or plots, avenues, 3 paths, alleys, and walks and their respective designations. The cemetery authority shall open the map to public inspection. The 4 5 cemetery authority may make available a copy of the overall map 6 upon written request and payment of reasonable photocopy fees. 7 Any unsold lots, plots or parts thereof, in which there are not 8 human remains, may be resurveyed and altered in shape or size, 9 and properly designated on such map. Nothing contained in this 10 subsection, however, shall prevent the cemetery authority from 11 enlarging an interment right by selling to the owner thereof 12 the excess space next to such interment right and permitting 13 interments therein, provided reasonable access to such 14 interment right and to adjoining interment rights is not 15 thereby eliminated. The Comptroller may waive any or all of the 16 requirements of this subsection (c) for good cause shown.

17 (d) A cemetery authority owning, operating, controlling, or managing a privately operated cemetery shall keep a record 18 of every interment, entombment, and inurnment in the cemetery. 19 20 The record shall include the deceased's name, age, and date of burial, when these particulars can be conveniently obtained, 21 22 and the lot, plot, or section where the human remains are 23 interred, entombed, or inurned. The record shall be open to public inspection consistent with State and federal law. The 24 25 cemetery authority shall make available, consistent with State 26 and federal law, a true copy of the record upon written request

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1 and payment of reasonable copy costs.

(e) A cemetery authority owning, operating, controlling,
or managing a privately operated cemetery shall provide access
to the cemetery under the cemetery authority's reasonable rules
and regulations.

6 (Source: P.A. 92-419, eff. 1-1-02.)