

HCS HB 2231 -- DISPOSITION OF CREMATED HUMAN REMAINS

This bill allows a licensed funeral establishment to dispose of cremated human remains in accordance with a cremation contract except if otherwise prohibited by law.

Currently, a licensed funeral establishment is required to send written notice by certified mail, returned receipt requested, to the licensed funeral establishment or person who contracted for the cremation stating that the remains will be scattered or interred unless the remains are claimed and removed within 90 days. The bill removes the certified mail requirement and allows the written notice to be sent by regular mail, with confirmation of delivery, to the last known address of the person or funeral establishment that contracted for the cremation. The provision is also repealed which requires the notification of a scattering or interment of cremated remains to be published in a local newspaper at least 30 days prior to the scattering or interment if the mailed written notice cannot be delivered.