

By the Committee on Banking and Insurance; and Senators Altman, Oelrich, Rich, King, and Dockery

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1 A bill to be entitled
2 An act relating to cemeteries; amending s. 497.260,
3 F.S.; exempting from provisions governing cemeteries a
4 columbarium consisting of 5 acres or less and located
5 on the main campus of a state university; requiring a
6 university or university direct-support organization
7 that establishes the columbarium to ensure that it is
8 constructed, kept, and maintained in a manner
9 consistent with s. 497.260(2), F.S., and ch. 497,
10 F.S.; requiring that the university or university
11 direct-support organization relocate all of the urns
12 and remains that were placed in the columbarium if it
13 is relocated; providing an effective date.

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15 Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

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17 Section 1. Paragraph (i) is added to subsection (1) of
18 section 497.260, Florida Statutes, to read:

19 497.260 Cemeteries; exemption; investigation and
20 mediation.—

21 (1) The provisions of this chapter relating to cemeteries
22 and all rules adopted pursuant thereto shall apply to all
23 cemeteries except for:

24 (i) A columbarium consisting of 5 acres or less which is
25 located on the main campus of a state university as defined in
26 s. 1000.21(6). The university or university direct-support
27 organization, as defined in s. 1004.28(1), which establishes the
28 columbarium shall ensure that the columbarium is constructed and
29 perpetually kept and maintained in a manner consistent with

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30 subsection (2) and the intent of this chapter. If the university
31 or university direct-support organization relocates the
32 columbarium, the university or university direct-support
33 organization shall relocate all of the urns and remains that
34 were placed in the columbarium.

35 Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2009.