

By the Committees on Higher Education Appropriations; and 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.; providing an effective date.

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

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

16 497.260 Cemeteries; exemption; investigation and
17 mediation.—

18 (1) The provisions of this chapter relating to cemeteries
19 and all rules adopted pursuant thereto shall apply to all
20 cemeteries except for:

21 (i) A columbarium consisting of 5 acres or less which is
22 located on the main campus of a state university as defined in
23 s. 1000.21(6). The university or university direct-support
24 organization, as defined in s. 1004.28(1), which establishes the
25 columbarium shall ensure that the columbarium is constructed and
26 perpetually kept and maintained in a manner consistent with
27 subsection (2) and the intent of this chapter.

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