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HF 2509

To Whom It May Concern:

Please be advised that I am in full support of the above listed bills that would allow non-licensed, yet qualified and experienced individuals to perform the initial transportation of deceased individuals from location of death to a licensed funeral establishment. This legislation would provide tremendous benefit to understaffed funeral establishments and, more importantly, the families that call upon us.

Due to our current staff shortage, funeral establishments are struggling to provide timely service. This unnecessary burden causes great inconvenience to families who have suffered a death.

Recently, during our COVID-19 pandemic, these same privileges were granted to non-licensed individuals who were working under the authority of Minnesota Mortician Licensed individuals. During this time, these important tasks were completed with no complaints to the Minnesota Department of Health. Also, our neighboring state of South Dakota allows for the same tasks to be completed by non-licensed individuals with a long record of no consumer complaints.

We are living and working in an unprecedented time with a shortage of licensed morticians. These measures would help us.

Kind Regards,

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