



S.F. No. 2819 – Green Burial Requirements

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S.F. 2819 defines “green burials” and creates certain requirements for public and private cemeteries who offer green burials and who allow for the scattering of cremated remains.

Section 1 (amends section 149A.02) defines “green burials.”

Section 2 [149A.958; Green Burial] establishes requirements for the handling of dead human bodies awaiting green burials.

Section 3 (amends section 306.37, subdivision 1) raises the percentage required to be deposited into the care and improvement fund.

Section 4 (amends section 306.78) raises the percentage required to be deposited into the care and improvement fund.

Section 5 [306.991; Green Burials in Public Cemeteries] defines several terms related to green burials. Establishes certain requirements related to green burial plots, burial depth, and density.

Section 6 [306.992; Ash Spreading] requires a public cemetery that allows the spreading of ashes to designate a specific location for the spreading of ashes.

Section 7 [307.14; Green Burials in Private Cemeteries] defines several terms related to green burials. Establishes certain requirements related to green burial plots, burial depth, and density.

Section 8 [307.15; Ash Spreading] requires a private cemetery that allows the spreading of ashes to designate a specific location for the spreading of ashes.

