

1 SENATE BILL 263

2 **54TH LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - FIRST SESSION, 2019**

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10 AN ACT

11 RELATING TO PROFESSIONAL LICENSES; CREATING ADDITIONAL LICENSES  
12 UNDER THE FUNERAL SERVICES ACT; ADDING DEFINITIONS; MAKING  
13 TECHNICAL AND CONFORMING CHANGES; AMENDING AND ENACTING  
14 SECTIONS OF THE NMSA 1978.

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16 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

17 SECTION 1. Section 61-32-3 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1993,  
18 Chapter 204, Section 3, as amended) is amended to read:

19 "61-32-3. DEFINITIONS.--As used in the Funeral Services  
20 Act:

21 A. "board" means the board of funeral services;

22 B. "committal service" means a service at a place  
23 of interment or entombment that follows a funeral conducted at  
24 another location;

25 C. "cremains" means cremated remains;

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1           D. "cremation" means the reduction of a dead human  
2 body by direct flame to a residue [~~which~~] that includes bone  
3 fragments;

4           E. "crematory" means every place or premises that  
5 is devoted to or used for cremation and pulverization of the  
6 cremains;

7           F. "crematory authority" means the individual who  
8 is ultimately responsible for the operation of a crematory;

9           G. "department" means the regulation and licensing  
10 department;

11           H. "direct disposer" means a person licensed to  
12 engage solely in providing direct disposition at a direct  
13 disposition establishment, licensed pursuant to the Funeral  
14 Services Act, as provided in that act;

15           I. "direct disposition" means only the disposition  
16 of a dead human body as quickly as possible, without a direct  
17 disposer performing or arranging a funeral, graveside service,  
18 committal service or memorial service, whether public or  
19 private, and without embalming of the body unless embalming is  
20 required by the place of disposition;

21           J. "direct supervision" means that the supervising  
22 funeral service practitioner is physically present with and in  
23 direct control of the person being trained;

24           K. "disposition" means the final disposal of a dead  
25 human body, whether it be by earth interment, above-ground

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1 interment or entombment, cremation, burial at sea or delivery  
2 to a medical school, when the medical school assumes complete  
3 responsibility for the disposal of the body following medical  
4 study;

5 L. "embalmer" means a person licensed to engage in  
6 embalming and preparing a dead human body for funeral service  
7 at a funeral establishment that is licensed pursuant to the  
8 Funeral Services Act;

9 ~~[L-]~~ M. "embalming" means the disinfection,  
10 preservation and restoration, when possible, of a dead human  
11 body by a licensed funeral service practitioner, licensed  
12 embalmer or a licensed funeral service intern under the  
13 supervision of a licensed funeral service practitioner;

14 ~~[M-]~~ N. "ennichement" means interment of cremains  
15 in a niche in a columbarium, whether in an urn or not;

16 ~~[N-]~~ O. "entombment" means interment of a casketed  
17 body or cremains in a crypt in a mausoleum;

18 ~~[O-]~~ P. "establishment" means every office,  
19 premises or place of business where the practice of funeral  
20 service or direct disposition is conducted or advertised as  
21 being conducted and includes commercial establishments that  
22 provide for the practice of funeral service or direct  
23 disposition services exclusively to licensed funeral or direct  
24 disposition establishments or a school of medicine;

25 ~~[P-]~~ Q. "funeral" means a period following death in

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1 which there is an organized, purposeful, time-limited, group-  
2 centered ceremony or rite, whether religious or not, with the  
3 body of the deceased present;

4 R. "funeral arranger" means a person licensed to  
5 engage in arrangements and directing of funeral services at a  
6 funeral establishment that is licensed pursuant to the Funeral  
7 Services Act;

8 ~~[Q.]~~ S. "funeral merchandise" means that personal  
9 property offered for sale in connection with the  
10 transportation, funeralization or disposition of a dead human  
11 body, including the enclosure into which a dead human body is  
12 or cremains are directly placed, and excluding mausoleum  
13 crypts, interment enclosures preset in a cemetery and  
14 columbarium niches;

15 ~~[R.]~~ T. "funeral service intern" means a person  
16 licensed to be in training for the practice of funeral service  
17 under the supervision and instruction of a funeral service  
18 practitioner at a funeral establishment or commercial  
19 establishment, licensed pursuant to the Funeral Services Act;

20 ~~[S.]~~ U. "funeral service practitioner" means a  
21 person licensed to engage in the practice of funeral service at  
22 a funeral establishment or commercial establishment that is  
23 licensed pursuant to the Funeral Services Act;

24 ~~[T.]~~ V. "funeral services" means those immediate  
25 post-death activities related to a dead human body and its care

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1 and disposition, whether with or without rites or ceremonies;  
2 but "funeral services" does not include disposition of the body  
3 by a school of medicine following medical study;

4 ~~[U.]~~ W. "general supervision" means that the  
5 supervising funeral service practitioner is not necessarily  
6 physically present in the establishment with the person being  
7 trained but is available for advice and assistance;

8 ~~[V.]~~ X. "graveside service" means a funeral held at  
9 the graveside only, excluding a committal service that follows  
10 a funeral conducted at another location;

11 ~~[W.]~~ Y. "jurisprudence examination" means an  
12 examination prescribed by the board on the statutes, rules and  
13 regulations pertaining to the practice of funeral service or  
14 direct disposition, including the Funeral Services Act, the  
15 rules of the board, state health regulations governing human  
16 remains and the Vital Statistics Act;

17 ~~[X.]~~ Z. "licensee in charge" means a funeral  
18 service practitioner who is ultimately responsible for the  
19 conduct of a funeral or commercial establishment and its  
20 employees; or a direct disposer who is ultimately responsible  
21 for the conduct of a direct disposition establishment and its  
22 employees;

23 ~~[Y.]~~ AA. "make arrangements" means advising or  
24 counseling about specific details for a funeral, graveside  
25 service, committal service, memorial service, disposition or

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1 direct disposition;

2 ~~[Z.]~~ BB. "memorial service" means a gathering of  
3 persons for recognition of a death without the presence of the  
4 body of the deceased;

5 ~~[AA.]~~ CC. "practice of funeral service" means those  
6 activities allowed under the Funeral Services Act by a funeral  
7 service practitioner, funeral arranger, embalmer or funeral  
8 service intern; and

9 ~~[BB.]~~ DD. "pulverization" means the process that  
10 reduces cremains to a granular substance."

11 **SECTION 2.** Section 61-32-4 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1993,  
12 Chapter 204, Section 4, as amended) is amended to read:

13 "61-32-4. LICENSE REQUIRED.--

14 A. Unless licensed to practice under the Funeral  
15 Services Act, a person shall not:

16 (1) practice as a funeral service  
17 practitioner, funeral arranger, embalmer, funeral service  
18 intern or direct disposer;

19 (2) use the title or make any representation  
20 as being a funeral service practitioner, funeral arranger,  
21 embalmer, funeral service intern or direct disposer or use any  
22 other title, abbreviation, letters, figures, signs or devices  
23 that indicate the person is licensed to practice as a funeral  
24 service practitioner, funeral arranger, embalmer, funeral  
25 service intern or direct disposer; or

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1 (3) maintain, manage or operate a funeral  
2 establishment, a commercial establishment, a direct disposition  
3 establishment or a crematory.

4 B. A person who engages in the practice or acts in  
5 the capacity of a funeral service practitioner, funeral  
6 arranger, embalmer, funeral service intern or direct disposer  
7 in this state, with or without a New Mexico license, is subject  
8 to the jurisdiction of the state and to the administrative  
9 jurisdiction of the board and is subject to all penalties and  
10 remedies available for a violation of a provision of the  
11 Funeral Services Act.

12 C. A person who maintains, manages or operates a  
13 funeral establishment, commercial establishment, direct  
14 disposition establishment or [a] crematory in this state, with  
15 or without a New Mexico establishment or crematory license, is  
16 subject to the jurisdiction of the state and to the  
17 administrative jurisdiction of the board and is subject to all  
18 penalties and remedies available for a violation of a provision  
19 of the Funeral Services Act."

20 SECTION 3. Section 61-32-9 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1993,  
21 Chapter 204, Section 9, as amended) is amended to read:

22 "61-32-9. REQUIREMENTS FOR LICENSURE--FUNERAL SERVICE  
23 PRACTITIONER--FUNERAL ARRANGER--EMBALMER--FUNERAL SERVICE  
24 INTERN--DIRECT DISPOSER--CONVERSION OF CERTAIN  
25 LICENSES--TEMPORARY LICENSES.--

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1           A. A license to practice as a funeral service  
2 practitioner shall be issued to any person who files a  
3 completed application, accompanied by the required fees and  
4 documentation, and who submits satisfactory evidence that the  
5 person:

6                   (1) is at least eighteen years of age;

7                   (2) has served as a licensed funeral service  
8 intern for not less than twelve months, under the supervision  
9 of a licensed funeral service practitioner. During the  
10 training period, the applicant shall have assisted in the  
11 embalming of at least fifty bodies, making of at least fifty  
12 funeral arrangements and the directing of at least fifty  
13 funerals;

14                   (3) has successfully completed an examination,  
15 including a jurisprudence examination, prescribed by board  
16 rules;

17                   (4) has successfully completed both the arts  
18 and science sections of the national board examination  
19 administered by the international conference of funeral service  
20 examining boards;

21                   [~~(4)~~] (5) has not been convicted of  
22 unprofessional conduct or incompetency; and

23                   [~~(5)~~] (6) has obtained an associate's degree  
24 in funeral science requiring the completion of at least sixty  
25 semester hours from an institution whose funeral program is

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1 accredited by the American board of funeral service education  
2 or any other successor institution offering funeral service  
3 education recognized by the United States government.

4 B. A license to practice as a funeral arranger  
5 shall be issued to any person who files a completed  
6 application, accompanied by the required fees and  
7 documentation, and who submits satisfactory evidence that the  
8 person:

9 (1) is at least eighteen years of age;

10 (2) has served as a licensed funeral service  
11 intern for not less than twelve months, under the supervision  
12 of a licensed funeral service practitioner. During the  
13 training period, the applicant shall have assisted in the  
14 making of at least fifty funeral arrangements and the directing  
15 of at least fifty funerals;

16 (3) has successfully completed an examination,  
17 including a jurisprudence examination, prescribed by board  
18 rules;

19 (4) has successfully completed the arts  
20 section of the national board examination administered by the  
21 international conference of funeral service examining boards;

22 (5) has not been convicted of unprofessional  
23 conduct or incompetency; and

24 (6) has obtained an associate's degree in  
25 funeral science requiring the completion of at least sixty

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1 semester hours from an institution whose funeral program is  
2 accredited by the American board of funeral service education  
3 or any other successor institution offering funeral service  
4 education recognized by the United States government.

5 C. A license to practice as an embalmer shall be  
6 issued to any person who files a completed application,  
7 accompanied by the required fees and documentation, and who  
8 submits satisfactory evidence that the person:

9 (1) is at least eighteen years of age;

10 (2) has served as a licensed funeral service  
11 intern for not less than twelve months, under the supervision  
12 of a licensed funeral service practitioner. During the  
13 training period, the applicant shall have assisted in the  
14 embalming of at least fifty bodies;

15 (3) has successfully completed an examination,  
16 including a jurisprudence examination, prescribed by board  
17 rules;

18 (4) has successfully completed the science  
19 section of the national board examination administered by the  
20 international conference of funeral service examining boards;

21 (5) has not been convicted of unprofessional  
22 conduct or incompetency; and

23 (6) has obtained an associate's degree in  
24 funeral science requiring the completion of at least sixty  
25 semester hours from an institution whose funeral program is

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1 accredited by the American board of funeral service education  
2 or any other successor institution offering funeral service  
3 education recognized by the United States government.

4 ~~[B.]~~ D. A license to practice as a funeral service  
5 intern shall be issued to any person who files a completed  
6 application, accompanied by the required fees and  
7 documentation, and who submits satisfactory evidence that the  
8 person:

9 (1) is at least eighteen years of age;

10 (2) has graduated from high school or the  
11 equivalent;

12 (3) has submitted proof of employment and  
13 supervision as required by board rules. Except as may be  
14 allowed by board rule, a license as a funeral service intern is  
15 issued only for a specific funeral establishment or an  
16 establishment that is part of a multi-establishment enterprise;

17 (4) has successfully completed an examination,  
18 including a jurisprudence examination, prescribed by board  
19 rules; and

20 (5) has not been convicted of unprofessional  
21 conduct or incompetency.

22 ~~[G.]~~ E. A license to practice as a direct disposer  
23 shall be issued to any person who files a completed  
24 application, accompanied by the required fees and  
25 documentation, and who submits satisfactory evidence that the

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1 person:

2 (1) is at least eighteen years of age;

3 (2) has obtained an associate's degree in  
4 funeral science requiring the completion of at least sixty  
5 semester hours from an institution whose funeral program is  
6 accredited by the American board of funeral service education  
7 or any other successor institution offering funeral service  
8 education and recognized by the United States government;

9 (3) has successfully completed any  
10 examination, including a jurisprudence examination, prescribed  
11 by board rules; and

12 (4) has not been convicted of unprofessional  
13 conduct or incompetency.

14 [~~D-~~] F. On and after July 1, 2012, the board shall  
15 not issue a new license that was formerly designated an  
16 "assistant funeral services practitioner" or "associate funeral  
17 services practitioner" license under a version of the Funeral  
18 Services Act in effect on June 30, 2012. A person holding one  
19 of these licenses that is valid as of June 30, 2012 shall be  
20 considered as holding a valid, renewable funeral services  
21 intern license subject to the general supervision of a licensed  
22 funeral services practitioner pursuant to the Funeral Services  
23 Act.

24 [~~E-~~] G. The board may adopt by rule requirements  
25 for issuing a temporary license that will be valid until the

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1 next scheduled board meeting."

2 SECTION 4. Section 61-32-10 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1993,  
3 Chapter 204, Section 10, as amended) is amended to read:

4 "61-32-10. LICENSURE BY CREDENTIALS.--After successful  
5 completion of a jurisprudence examination, the board may  
6 license an applicant as a funeral service practitioner, funeral  
7 arranger or embalmer; provided the applicant possesses a valid  
8 license or its equivalent for the practice of funeral service  
9 issued by the appropriate examining board under the laws of any  
10 other state or territory of the United States, the District of  
11 Columbia or any foreign nation, and provided the applicant [~~has~~  
12 ~~actively practiced five out of the last ten years in another~~  
13 ~~state, territory or foreign nation as a licensed funeral~~  
14 ~~service practitioner, or its equivalent~~] presents proof that  
15 the applicant is currently licensed in good standing in a  
16 jurisdiction that has standards for licensure that are at least  
17 equal to those for licensure in New Mexico as required by the  
18 Funeral Services Act."

19 SECTION 5. Section 61-32-20 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1993,  
20 Chapter 204, Section 20, as amended) is amended to read:

21 "61-32-20. EMBALMING.--

22 A. All dead human bodies not disposed of within  
23 twenty-four hours after death or release or receipt by the  
24 establishment or crematory shall be embalmed in accordance with  
25 the Funeral Services Act or stored under refrigeration as

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1 determined by board rule, unless otherwise required by  
2 regulation of the office of the state medical investigator or  
3 the secretary of health or by orders of an authorized official  
4 of the office of the state medical investigator, a court of  
5 competent jurisdiction or other authorized official.

6 B. A dead human body shall not be embalmed except  
7 by a funeral service practitioner, embalmer or a funeral  
8 service intern under the supervision of a funeral service  
9 practitioner.

10 C. When embalming is not required under the  
11 provisions of this section, a dead human body shall not be  
12 embalmed without express authorization by the:

- 13 (1) surviving spouse or next of kin;  
14 (2) legal agent or personal representative of  
15 the deceased; or  
16 (3) person assuming responsibility for final  
17 disposition.

18 D. When embalming is not required, and prior to  
19 obtaining authorization for the embalming, a dead human body  
20 may be washed and other health procedures, including closing of  
21 the orifices, may be performed without authorization.

22 E. When a dead human body is embalmed, the funeral  
23 service practitioner or embalmer who embalms the body or the  
24 funeral service intern who embalms the body and the funeral  
25 service practitioner who supervises the embalming shall, within

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1 twenty-four hours after the embalming procedure, complete and  
2 sign an embalming case report describing the elapsed time since  
3 death, the condition of the remains before and after embalming  
4 and the embalming procedures used. The embalming case report  
5 shall be kept on file at the establishment for a period of not  
6 less than seven years following the embalming.

7 F. Except as provided in Subsection A of this  
8 section, embalming is not required."

9 SECTION 6. Section 61-32-22 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1993,  
10 Chapter 204, Section 22, as amended) is amended to read:

11 "61-32-22. INACTIVE STATUS.--

12 A. A funeral service practitioner, funeral  
13 arranger, embalmer, funeral service intern or direct disposer  
14 who has a current license may request that the license be  
15 placed on inactive status. Except as provided in Subsection E  
16 of this section, the board shall approve each request for  
17 inactive status.

18 B. A license placed on inactive status may be  
19 renewed within a period not to exceed five years following the  
20 date the board granted the inactive status.

21 C. Renewal of an inactive license requires payment  
22 of renewal and reinstatement fees as set forth by board rule  
23 and compliance with the following requirements:

24 (1) certification by the licensee that the  
25 licensee has not engaged in the practice of funeral service or

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1 direct disposition in this state during the inactive status;

2 (2) compliance with continuing education  
3 requirements established by board rule; and

4 (3) successful completion of an examination,  
5 which shall be administered at the discretion of the board, to  
6 certify continuing competency.

7 D. Disciplinary proceedings may be initiated or  
8 continued against a licensee who has been granted inactive  
9 status.

10 E. A license shall not be placed on inactive status  
11 if the licensee is under investigation or if disciplinary  
12 proceedings have been initiated."

13 SECTION 7. Section 61-32-24 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1993,  
14 Chapter 204, Section 24, as amended) is amended to read:

15 "61-32-24. DISCIPLINARY PROCEEDINGS--JUDICIAL REVIEW.--

16 A. The board, in accordance with the procedures set  
17 forth in the Uniform Licensing Act, may take disciplinary  
18 action against any licensee, temporary licensee or applicant.

19 B. The board has the authority to take any action  
20 set forth in Section 61-1-3 NMSA 1978 upon a finding by the  
21 board that the applicant or licensee is guilty of any of the  
22 following acts of commission or omission:

23 (1) conviction of an offense punishable by  
24 incarceration in a state penitentiary or federal prison;  
25 provided that the board receives a copy of the record of

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1 conviction, certified to by the clerk of the court entering the  
2 conviction, which shall be conclusive evidence of the  
3 conviction;

4 (2) fraud or deceit in procuring or attempting  
5 to procure a license;

6 (3) gross negligence or incompetence;

7 (4) unprofessional or dishonorable conduct,  
8 which includes:

9 (a) misrepresentation or fraud;

10 (b) false or misleading advertising;

11 (c) solicitation of dead human bodies by  
12 the licensee or the licensee's agents, assistants or employees,  
13 whether the solicitation occurs after death or while death is  
14 impending; provided that this shall not be deemed to prohibit  
15 general advertising;

16 (d) solicitation or acceptance by a  
17 licensee of a commission, bonus or rebate in consideration of  
18 recommending or causing a dead human body to be disposed of in  
19 a cemetery, mausoleum or crematory;

20 (e) using any funeral merchandise  
21 previously purchased, in whole or in part, except for  
22 transportation purposes, without prior written permission of  
23 the person selecting or paying for the use of the merchandise;  
24 and

25 (f) failing to make disposition of a

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1 dead human body in the enclosure or container that was  
2 purchased for that purpose by the arrangers;

3 (5) violation of the provisions of the Funeral  
4 Services Act or a rule of the board;

5 (6) violation of any local, state or federal  
6 ordinance, law or regulation affecting the practice of funeral  
7 service, direct disposition or cremation, including the  
8 Prearranged Funeral Plan Regulatory Law or any regulations  
9 ordered by the superintendent of insurance;

10 (7) willful or negligent practice beyond the  
11 scope of the license issued by the board;

12 (8) refusing to release properly a dead human  
13 body to the custody of the person or entity who has the legal  
14 right to effect the release, whether or not the authorized cost  
15 has been paid. If an establishment receives a dead human body  
16 for funeral services but the body is subsequently transferred  
17 to another establishment that completes or performs funeral  
18 services, the subsequent establishment shall be responsible for  
19 all reasonable nonprofessional service charges incurred by the  
20 next previous establishment prior to and including transfer of  
21 the body and the subsequent establishment shall reimburse the  
22 next previous establishment for those charges;

23 (9) failure to secure a necessary permit  
24 required by law for removal from this state or cremation of a  
25 dead human body;

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1 (10) knowingly making a false statement on a  
2 certificate of death;

3 (11) failure to give full cooperation to the  
4 board or one of its committees, staff, inspectors or agents or  
5 an attorney for the board in the performance of official  
6 duties;

7 (12) having had a license, certificate or  
8 registration to practice revoked, suspended or denied in any  
9 jurisdiction, territory or possession of the United States or  
10 another country for actions of the licensee or applicant  
11 similar to acts described in this subsection. A certified copy  
12 of the record of the jurisdiction taking the disciplinary  
13 action is conclusive evidence of the violation;

14 (13) failure to supervise adequately  
15 subordinate personnel;

16 (14) conduct unbecoming a licensee or  
17 detrimental to the safety or welfare of the public;

18 (15) employing fraudulent billing practices;  
19 or

20 (16) practicing funeral service or cremation  
21 without a current license.

22 C. In addition to the offenses listed in Subsection  
23 B of this section, the board has the authority to take any  
24 action set forth in Section 61-1-3 NMSA 1978 upon a finding by  
25 the board that a person who is licensed as or is an applicant

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1 for a license as a funeral service practitioner, embalmer,  
2 funeral arranger or funeral service intern is guilty of any of  
3 the following acts of commission or omission:

4 (1) practicing funeral service without a  
5 license or aiding or abetting an unlicensed person to practice  
6 funeral service; or

7 (2) permitting a funeral service intern to  
8 exceed the limitations set forth in the provisions of the  
9 Funeral Services Act or the rules of the board.

10 D. In addition to the offenses listed in Subsection  
11 B of this section, the board has the authority to take any  
12 action set forth in Section 61-1-3 NMSA 1978 upon a finding by  
13 the board that a direct disposer licensee or a direct  
14 disposition establishment licensee is guilty of any of the  
15 following acts of commission or omission:

16 (1) embalming, restoring, acting as a  
17 cosmetician or in any way altering the condition of a dead  
18 human body, except for washing and dressing;

19 (2) causing a body to be embalmed when  
20 embalming is not required by a place of disposition;

21 (3) prior to interment, entombment or other  
22 final disposition of a dead human body, participating in any  
23 rites or ceremonies in connection with such final disposition  
24 of the body, or providing facilities for any such rites or  
25 ceremonies;

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1 (4) reclaiming, transporting or causing to be  
2 transported a dead human body after written release for  
3 disposition; or

4 (5) practicing direct disposition without a  
5 license or aiding or abetting an unlicensed person to practice  
6 direct disposition.

7 E. In addition to the offenses listed in Subsection  
8 B of this section, the board has the authority to take any  
9 action set forth in Section 61-1-3 NMSA 1978 upon a finding by  
10 the board that a crematory licensee or applicant or a crematory  
11 authority is guilty of any of the following acts of commission  
12 or omission:

13 (1) engaging or making any representation as  
14 engaging in the practice of funeral service or direct  
15 disposition, unless the applicant or crematory authority has a  
16 license to practice funeral service or direct disposition;

17 (2) operating a crematory without a license or  
18 aiding and abetting a crematory to operate without a license;  
19 or

20 (3) engaging in conduct or activities for  
21 which a license to engage in the practice of funeral service or  
22 direct disposition is required or aiding and abetting an  
23 unlicensed person to engage in conduct or activities for which  
24 a license to practice funeral service or direct disposition is  
25 required.

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1           F. Unless exonerated by the board, persons who have  
2 been subjected to formal disciplinary sanctions by the board  
3 shall be responsible for the payment of costs of the  
4 disciplinary proceedings, which include costs for:

- 5                   (1) court reporters;
- 6                   (2) transcripts;
- 7                   (3) certification or notarization;
- 8                   (4) photocopies;
- 9                   (5) witness attendance and mileage fees;
- 10                  (6) postage for mailings required by law;
- 11                  (7) expert witnesses; and
- 12                  (8) depositions.

13           G. All fees, fines and costs imposed on an  
14 applicant, licensee, establishment or crematory shall be paid  
15 in full to the board before an initial or renewal license may  
16 be issued."

17           SECTION 8. A new section of the Funeral Services Act is  
18 enacted to read:

19           "[NEW MATERIAL] FUNERAL ARRANGER--SCOPE OF PRACTICE--  
20 LIMITATIONS.--A funeral arranger may engage in arrangements and  
21 directing of funeral services at a funeral establishment that  
22 is licensed pursuant to the Funeral Services Act."

23           SECTION 9. A new section of the Funeral Services Act is  
24 enacted to read:

25           "[NEW MATERIAL] EMBALMER--SCOPE OF PRACTICE--

underscoring material = new  
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1       LIMITATIONS.--An embalmer may engage in embalming and preparing  
2       a dead human body for funeral service at a funeral  
3       establishment that is licensed pursuant to the Funeral Services  
4       Act."

5               **SECTION 10. EFFECTIVE DATE.**--The effective date of the  
6       provisions of this act is July 1, 2019.

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