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**SENATE BILL 6501**

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**State of Washington 66th Legislature 2020 Regular Session**

**By** Senator Padden

AN ACT Relating to the unlawful disposition of human remains; amending RCW 68.50.130; and prescribing penalties.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

**Sec.**  RCW 68.50.130 and 2019 c 432 s 21 are each amended to read as follows:

Every person who performs a disposition of any human remains, except as otherwise provided by law, in any place, except in a cemetery or a building dedicated exclusively for religious purposes, is guilty of a ((~~misdemeanor~~)) class C felony. Disposition of human remains following cremation, alkaline hydrolysis, or natural organic reduction may also occur on private property, with the consent of the property owner; and on public or government lands or waters with the approval of the government agency that has either jurisdiction or control, or both, of the lands or waters.

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