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By Representatives G. Cole, Fuhrman, Lisk and Franklin; by request of Department of Licensing

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1 AN ACT Relating to funeral directors, embalmers, and cemeteries;
2 amending RCW 18.39.290, 68.05.100, and 68.05.205; and adding a new
3 section to chapter 18.39 RCW.

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

5 **Sec. 1.** RCW 18.39.290 and 1986 c 259 s 69 are each amended to read
6 as follows:

7 All certificates of registration issued pursuant to this chapter
8 shall continue in force until the expiration date unless suspended or
9 revoked. A certificate shall be subject to renewal annually ninety
10 days after the end of its fiscal year, as stated on the original
11 application, by the funeral establishment and payment of the required
12 fees.

13 The director shall determine and collect fees related to
14 certificate of registration licensure.

1 All fees so collected shall be remitted by the director to the
2 state treasurer not later than the first business day following receipt
3 of such funds and the funds shall be credited to the ((health
4 professions)) funeral directors and embalmers account.

5 NEW SECTION. **Sec. 2.** A new section is added to chapter 18.39 RCW
6 to read as follows:

7 The funeral directors and embalmers account is created in the
8 custody of the state treasurer. All fees received by the department
9 for licenses, registration, renewals, examinations, and audits shall be
10 forwarded to the state treasurer who shall credit the money to the
11 account. All fines and civil penalties ordered by the superior court
12 or fines ordered under RCW 18.130.160(8) against holders of licenses or
13 registrations issued under the provisions of this chapter shall be paid
14 to the account. All expenses incurred in carrying out the licensing
15 and registration activities of the department and the state funeral
16 directors and embalmers board under this chapter shall be paid from the
17 account as authorized by legislative appropriation. Any residue in the
18 account shall be accumulated and shall not revert to the general fund
19 at the end of the biennium. All earnings of investments of balances in
20 the account shall be credited to the general fund.

21 **Sec. 3.** RCW 68.05.100 and 1987 c 331 s 9 are each amended to read
22 as follows:

23 The board may establish necessary rules and regulations for the
24 enforcement of this title and the laws subject to its jurisdiction and
25 prescribe the form of statements and reports provided for in this
26 title. Rules regulating the cremation of human remains and
27 establishing ((fees—and)) permit requirements shall be adopted in
28 consultation with the state board of funeral directors and embalmers.

1 **Sec. 4.** RCW 68.05.205 and 1987 c 331 s 16 are each amended to read
2 as follows:

3 (~~Every cemetery authority shall pay for each cemetery operated by~~
4 ~~it, an annual regulatory charge to be fixed by the director of not more~~
5 ~~than three dollars per interment, entombment, and inurnment made during~~
6 ~~the preceding full calendar year, which charges shall be deposited in~~
7 ~~the cemetery account. Upon payment of said charges and compliance with~~
8 ~~the provisions of Title 68 RCW and the lawful orders, rules, and~~
9 ~~regulations of the board, the board will issue a certificate of~~
10 ~~authority.)) The director with the consent of the cemetery board shall
11 set all fees for chapters 68.05, 68.20, 68.24, 68.28, 68.32, 68.36,
12 68.40, 68.44, and 68.46 RCW in accordance with RCW 43.24.086 including
13 fees for licenses, certificates, regulatory charges, permits, or
14 endorsements and the department shall collect the fees.~~