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STATE OF MAINE

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IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED  
SIXTY-THREE

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**AN ACT Prohibiting Employment of Funeral Directors by Cemeteries.**

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Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine, as follows:

R. S., c. 25, § 204-B, additional. Chapter 25 of the Revised Statutes is amended by adding a new section 204-B, to read as follows:

‘Sec. 204-B. Employment of funeral directors by cemeteries prohibited. No funeral home, funeral establishment or person holding a license under sections 195 to 205 shall be employed as a funeral home, funeral establishment, or as an embalmer or funeral director by a cemetery, cemetery association or cemetery corporation, nor shall such person be so employed by a funeral home, funeral establishment or mortuary establishment which owns or controls or is owned or controlled by a cemetery, cemetery association or cemetery corporation. Control shall not be considered to exist because the owners, officers or employees of a funeral home, funeral establishment or mortuary establishment serve without pay or for a fee not exceeding \$500 per year per person as officers or as the minority of the directors or trustees of a cemetery association or cemetery corporation in which they have no financial investment. This section shall not prevent employment of persons licensed under sections 195 to 205 by cemeteries, cemetery associations or cemetery corporations in other capacities than that of funeral director or embalmer. This section shall not apply to disinterments or transfers of disinterred bodies.

Any person who violates this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than \$50 and not more than \$500, or by imprisonment for not more than 3 months.’