

MAINE STATE LEGISLATURE

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119th MAINE LEGISLATURE

SECOND REGULAR SESSION-2000

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No. 2560

H.P. 1825

House of Representatives, February 10, 2000

An Act to Amend the Acreage Requirements for a Cemetery to Contain a Columbarium.

(AFTER DEADLINE)

Approved for introduction by a majority of the Legislative Council pursuant to Joint Rule 205.

Reference to the Committee on Business and Economic Development suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Joseph W. Mayo".

JOSEPH W. MAYO, Clerk

Presented by Representative SULLIVAN of Biddeford.
Cosponsored by Senator LaFOUNTAIN of York and
Representatives: BAGLEY of Machias, CLOUGH of Scarborough, DUDLEY of Portland,
MAYO of Bath, Senators: President LAWRENCE of York, PENDLETON of Cumberland.

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

4 **Sec. 1. 13 MRSA §1341** is repealed and the following enacted
in its place:

6 **§1341. Location**

8 Except for a structure containing crypts erected or
10 controlled by a church or religious society used for the remains
12 of the clergy or dignitaries of the church or religious society,
14 a community mausoleum, crematory, columbarium or other structure
16 that holds or contains the bodies or remains of the dead may only
be erected in a cemetery that is at least 5 acres in size and has
been in existence and used for burial for at least 2 years
preceding the erection of the structure.

18 **SUMMARY**

20 This bill reduces the number of acres from 20 to 5 that a
cemetery must have in order to erect a columbarium or depository
of cremated remains.