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No. 1083

An Act To Amend the Definition of "Funeral Establishment"

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

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Presented by Representative MILLS of Farmington. Cosponsored by Representative: SAVIELLO of Wilton, Senator: WOODCOCK of Franklin.

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

Sec. 1. 32 MRSA §1400, sub-§3, as amended by PL 2001, c. 169, 4 §1, is further amended to read:

6 Funeral establishment. 3. "Funeral establishment" means every place or premises devoted to or used in the care and 8 preparation for the funeral and burial of human remains or maintained for the convenience of the bereaved for viewing or other services in connection with the human remains or as the 10 office or place for carrying on the profession of funeral 12 service. A funeral establishment must contain a preparation room or embalming room, an adequate casket and vault selection room and a holding facility or proper room in which a rite or ceremony 14may be held. 16

- Sec. 2. State Board of Funeral Service to adopt rules for satellite 18 facilities. Department of Professional The and Financial Regulation, State Board of Funeral Service shall adopt rules to 20 allow a funeral establishment licensed under the Maine Revised Statutes, Title 32, chapter 21, to open a satellite or branch facility that need not comply with the full requirements for 22 licensure of a funeral establishment. The rules must provide that the satellite or branch facility is required to pay the full 24 licensing fee for a funeral establishment under Title 32, chapter 26 Rules adopted pursuant to this section are routine technical 21. rules as defined in Title 5, chapter 375, subchapter 2-A. 28
  - SUMMARY

32 This bill amends the definition of "funeral establishment" to make the definition more specific and directs the State Board 34 of Funeral Service to adopt rules for the creation of satellite or branch facilities of funeral establishments.

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