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## EIGHTY-NINTH LEGISLATURE

## Legislative Document

No. 578

S. P. 325

In Senate, February 9, 1939.

Referred to Committee on Legal Affairs. Sent down for concurrence and 500 copies ordered printed.

ROYDEN V. BROWN, Secretary.

Presented by Senator Hill of Cumberland by request.

## STATE OF MAINE

IN THE YEAR OF OUR LORD NINETEEN HUNDRED THIRTY-NINE

AN ACT Relating to Incorporation of Cemeteries and the Operation of Burying Grounds, Burial Structures, and Disposal of Dead Human Bodies.

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

R. S., c. 24, § 21-B, amended. Section 21-B of chapter 24 of the revised statutes, as created by section 5 of chapter 99 of the public laws of 1937, is hereby amended to read as follows:

'Sec. 21-B. Sales for speculative or investment purposes prohibited. The sale of cemetery lots and plots, or the sale of crypts in a community mausoleum or niches in a columbarium, for speculative or financial investment purposes, or the conveyance of any portion of a cemetery already dedicated to burial purposes as security for debt, is hereby prohibited, and every such conveyance, whether made by a person, or by a cemetery association, or company or association owning and operating a community mausoleum, crematory or columbarium, or by any holding, development or subsidiary company, shall be void and of no effect. Whoever makes or attempts to make a sale or conveyance contrary to the provisions of this section shall be guilty of a misdemeanor and punishable as provided in section 10 24 of this act chapter. The provisions of this section shall not apply to any cemetery now organized and operating.'