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LOCAL GOVERNMENT

SENATE FILE 2147

BY BLACK of Jasper

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A BILL FOR

1 An Act relating to the burial of cremated remains of a deceased
2 individual and requiring registration with the county
3 recorder.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

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1 Section 1. Section 331.805, subsection 3, paragraph b,
2 Code 1997, is amended to read as follows:

3 b. (1) If the next of kin, guardian, or other person
4 authorized to act on behalf of a deceased person has requested
5 that the body of the deceased person be cremated, a permit for
6 cremation must be obtained from a medical examiner. However,
7 a permit is not required if the deceased person was a member
8 of an established religion whose tenets are opposed to the
9 inspection or examination of the body of a deceased person.
10 Cremation permits by the medical examiner must be made on the
11 most current forms prepared at the direction of and approved
12 by the state medical examiner, with copies forwarded to the
13 state medical examiner's office. Costs for the cremation
14 permit issued by a medical examiner shall not exceed thirty-
15 five dollars. The costs shall be borne by the family, next of
16 kin, guardian of the decedent, or other person.

17 (2) A person requesting that the body of a deceased person
18 be cremated pursuant to subparagraph (1) and who intends to
19 bury the cremated remains shall register with the county
20 recorder the location of the buried remains.

21 EXPLANATION

22 This bill provides that a person who intends to bury the
23 cremated remains of a deceased individual must register with
24 the county recorder the location of the buried remains.

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