

House Study Bill 16 - Introduced

HOUSE FILE _____
BY (PROPOSED COMMITTEE ON
JUDICIARY BILL BY CHAIRPERSON
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A BILL FOR

- 1 An Act relating to the final disposition of remains.
- 2 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:

unofficial

1 Section 1. Section 144C.5, subsection 1, unnumbered paragraph
2 1, Code 2025, is amended to read as follows:

3 The Except as provided in subsection 4, the right to control
4 final disposition of a decedent's remains or to make arrangements
5 for the ceremony after a decedent's death vests in and devolves
6 upon the following persons who are competent adults at the time
7 of the decedent's death, in the following order:

8 Sec. 2. Section 144C.5, Code 2025, is amended by adding the
9 following new subsection:

10 NEW SUBSECTION. 4. The right to control final disposition of
11 a decedent's remains or to make arrangements for the ceremony
12 after a decedent's death shall not vest in or devolve upon a
13 person who is prohibited from acting as a designee pursuant to
14 section 144C.8.

15 EXPLANATION

16 The inclusion of this explanation does not constitute agreement with
17 the explanation's substance by the members of the general assembly.

18 This bill relates to the final disposition of human remains.
19 The bill excludes from eligibility to control the final
20 disposition of a decedent's remains or to make arrangements for
21 the ceremony after a decedent's death a person who would be
22 ineligible to serve as a designee under a declaration made by a
23 decedent.