

By: Gonzales of Hidalgo

H.B. No. 2286

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

1  
2 relating to the duties of a funeral director or an agent at the  
3 interment or entombment of a human body.

4 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

5 SECTION 1. Subchapter I, Chapter 651, Occupations Code, is  
6 amended by adding Section 651.4085 to read as follows:

7 Sec. 651.4085. INTERMENT OR ENTOMBMENT. (a) A funeral  
8 director who contracts with a customer to perform funeral directing  
9 under this chapter, or an agent of the funeral establishment, shall  
10 be present when the casket containing the human body to which the  
11 contract applies is placed in a grave, crypt, or burial vault unless  
12 interment or entombment takes place at a location outside this  
13 state.

14 (b) The funeral directing duties related to interment or  
15 entombment services are complete when the casket is placed in a  
16 grave, crypt, or burial vault.

17 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect immediately if it receives  
18 a vote of two-thirds of all the members elected to each house, as  
19 provided by Section 39, Article III, Texas Constitution. If this  
20 Act does not receive the vote necessary for immediate effect, this  
21 Act takes effect September 1, 2011.