**BILL ANALYSIS**

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**AUTHOR'S / SPONSOR'S STATEMENT OF INTENT**

H.B. 1731 amends current law relating to the payment for funeral services performed by a transferring funeral home under a purchase agreement for funeral services or merchandise.

**RULEMAKING AUTHORITY**

This bill does not expressly grant any additional rulemaking authority to a state officer, institution, or agency.

**SECTION BY SECTION ANALYSIS**

SECTION 1. Amends Section 651.406, Occupations Code, by adding Subsection (e), as follows:

(e) Requires a funeral establishment that receives a dead human body transferred from another funeral establishment to include in the purchase agreement any amounts, itemized by funeral service, owed by the customer to the transferring funeral establishment. Requires the recipient funeral establishment to at the time of receipt of the body remit to the transferring funeral establishment any amounts incurred by the transferring funeral establishment.

SECTION 2. Makes application of this Act prospective.

SECTION 3. Effective date: September 1, 2019.