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By:  Davis of Dallas H.B. No. 1731

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the payment for funeral services performed by a transferring funeral home under a purchase agreement for funeral services or merchandise.

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

SECTION 1.  Section 651.406, Occupations Code, is amended by adding Subsection (e) to read as follows:

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

SECTION 2.  Section 651.406(e), Occupations Code, as added by this Act, applies only to a purchase agreement entered into on or after the effective date of this Act. A purchase agreement entered into before the effective date of this Act is governed by the law in effect immediately before the effective date of this Act, and that law is continued in effect for that purpose.

SECTION 3.  This Act takes effect September 1, 2019.