

By: Moody

H.B. No. 2181

Substitute the following for H.B. No. 2181:

By: Johnson of Dallas

C.S.H.B. No. 2181

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to the removal of a decedent's remains.

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

SECTION 1. Section 711.004(a), Health and Safety Code, is amended to read as follows:

(a) Remains interred in a cemetery may be removed from a plot in the cemetery with the written consent of the cemetery organization operating the cemetery and the written consent of the current plot owner or owners and the following persons, in the priority listed:

(1) the person designated in a written instrument signed by the decedent, as described by Section 711.002(a)(1);

(2) the decedent's surviving spouse;

(3) any one of [~~(2)~~] the decedent's surviving adult children;

(4) either one of [~~(3)~~] the decedent's surviving parents;

(5) any one of [~~(4)~~] the decedent's surviving adult siblings;

(6) any one of the duly qualified executors or administrators of the decedent's estate; or

(7) any [~~(5) the~~] adult person in the next degree of kinship in the order named by law to inherit the estate of the decedent.

1 SECTION 2. This Act takes effect September 1, 2021.