

State of Arkansas
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A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1322

By: Representatives Holcomb, L. Johnson

By: Senator G. Stubblefield

For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE TIMELINE FOR EMBALMING A DEAD
BODY IN THE STATE; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE TIMELINE FOR EMBALMING
A DEAD BODY IN THE STATE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code Title 20, Chapter 17, Subchapter 1, is amended to add an additional section to read as follows:

20-17-107. Preservation of dead bodies.

(a) A dead body is not required to be embalmed.

(b) A dead body that is not buried within forty-eight (48) hours after death shall either be embalmed or refrigerated.

(c) Embalming or refrigeration is not required when a dead body is to be cremated within forty-eight (48) hours after death.

APPROVED: 2/23/21

