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Funeral Directors and Embalmers Licensing and Disciplinary Board's
Statement Regarding Illegal Curbstone Funeral Directing

The Funeral Directors and Embalmers Licensing and Disciplinary Board ("Board") created pursuant to the Funeral Directors and Embalmers Licensing Code, 225 ILCS 41-15-5, seeks to provide assistance to funeral services consumers within the State of Illinois with the following statement:

House Resolution 234 ("HR 234") regarding illegal curbstone funeral directing was adopted by the Illinois House of Representatives on May 6, 2015. HR 234 states, in part:

A Funeral Director [and a Funeral Director & Embalmer] in the State of Illinois must obtain a license from the Department of Financial and Professional Regulation; no person may practice funeral directing without a license, or without having a fixed place of practice or being employed by or under contract with an establishment devoted to that practice . . . Any action of a person falsely claiming to be a licensed Funeral Director or working out of a temporary establishment is in violation of State law . . . The illegal practice of curbstone funeral directing is a major concern because it takes advantage of people during a difficult and emotional time . . .

The Board encourages licensees and the public to file complaints with the Department regarding all instances of curbstone funeral directing. Complaints can be directed to the following:

Department of Financial and Professional Regulation, Division of Professional Regulation
Complaint Intake Unit
100 West Randolph Street, Suite 9-300, Chicago, IL 60601
Phone: 312-814-6910
www.idfpr.com/Admin/Complaints.asp

Thank you and please contact the Department with all inquiries.