DRAFTER'S NOTE FROM THE LEGISLATIVE REFERENCE BUREAU

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Myra Shelton:

This redraft is identical to 2001 LRB–2804/P4, except for the following:

1. The definition of "niche" is revised to refer to "inurnment" rather than "interment." This revision makes the definition consistent with the definition of "columbarium."

2. In proposed s. 440.72 (3) (a), the last clause is changed from an "if" clause to an "unless" clause.

3. In proposed s. 440.78 (3) (c), "that are to be cremated" is added following "human remains."

4. The dates for the initial terms are advanced by two years. Also, there are some technical changes to the wording of the appointments.

Also, isn't the liability exemption in proposed s. 440.82 (1) rather broad? Suppose, for example, that a crematory authority commits negligence that is not addressed by the subchapter. As drafted, the crematory authority is exempt from liability.

Finally, I will finalize the bill and prepare an analysis as soon as possible.

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