

CHAPTER 27

AN ACT

HB 4073

Relating to cemeteries; and declaring an emergency.
Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:

SECTION 1. (1) The State Mortuary and Cemetery Board may grant a temporary operating permit for a cemetery that does not hold a valid license to operate for the purpose of performing an interment. The board may grant the temporary operating permit to a person that holds a license, certificate of authority or registration issued by the board, or to a person who works in the cemetery industry and who the board determines is qualified.

(2) The board may grant the temporary operating permit described in subsection (1) of this section only if a death that necessitates interment has occurred and there is an existing

prearrangement sales contract, as defined in ORS 97.923, to which the cemetery is a party.

(3) The board shall adopt rules regarding temporary operating permits. The rules adopted under this subsection must require:

(a) That the person granted the temporary operating permit maintain records; and

(b) That the plot location stated in the existing prearrangement sales contract is verified before the interment.

(4) The board may not charge a fee for a temporary operating permit.

SECTION 2. This 2018 Act being necessary for the immediate preservation of the public peace, health and safety, an emergency is declared to exist, and this 2018 Act takes effect on its passage.

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