

SESSION OF 2011

**SUPPLEMENTAL NOTE ON HOUSE BILL NO. 2083**

As Recommended by House Committee on  
Health and Human Services

**Brief\***

HB 2083 would require any funeral director in charge of a facility that closes, to notify all those who purchased a prefinanced funeral agreement that they need to transfer their agreements to another facility. The notification must be provided prior to the facility's closing, and a copy of all such letters must be provided to the State Board of Mortuary Arts.

**Background**

Representative Bob Bethell testified in favor of the bill, along with representatives of the Kansas State Board of Mortuary Arts and the Kansas Funeral Directors Association. According to the conferees, the bill is intended to address situations such as a recent one, in which a funeral home closed and notice was not given to families with prefinanced funeral agreements. A conferee indicated this lack of notice caused confusion among family members when death occurred. No opponents testified on the bill.

According to the fiscal note, passage of the bill would require no additional expenditures by the State Board of Mortuary Arts.

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\*Supplemental notes are prepared by the Legislative Research Department and do not express legislative intent. The supplemental note and fiscal note for this bill may be accessed on the Internet at <http://www.kslegislature.org>