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HOUSE BILL NO. 332

91ST GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY REPRESENTATIVES RANSALL, BERKSTRESSER AND GRAHAM (Co-sponsors).

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TED WEDEL, Chief Clerk

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AN ACT

To amend chapter 407, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to funeral merchandise.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 407, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be
2 known as section 407.205, to read as follows:

**407.205. 1. For the purposes of this section, "funeral merchandise" means personal
2 property incidental to the final disposition of a dead human body, including, but not
3 limited to caskets, urns, grave vaults, or receptacles, but excluding grave lots, grave spaces,
4 crypts, niches and mausoleums.**

5 2. No funeral merchandise may be sold for delivery in Missouri other than:

6 (1) Where such merchandise is immediately required for use in a funeral;

7 (2) For immediate pick up by the purchaser from the seller; or

8 (3) For immediate delivery by the seller to a location selected by the purchaser.

**9 3. The provisions of subsection 2 of this section shall not apply if the seller of such
10 funeral merchandise and the purchaser have executed a valid preneed funeral contract
11 pursuant to chapter 436, RSMo. No seller of such funeral merchandise shall agree to hold
12 or store such merchandise for a purchaser for more than thirty days. No seller of funeral
13 merchandise shall enter into an agreement, other than a valid preneed contract executed
14 in accordance with chapter 436, RSMo, with a purchaser whereby the seller furnishes the
15 purchaser a certificate or other document redeemable for funeral merchandise, in lieu of
16 actually providing such merchandise for immediate use.**