



Senate, April 20, 1971. The Committee on Public Health & Safety reported through Senator Pac of the 6th District, Chairman of the Committee on the part of the Senate, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING THE SALE OF ABANDONED OR UNUSED CEMETERY LOTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 19-158 of the general statutes is
2 repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
3 thereof: ANY TOWN OR any mutual nonstock cemetery
4 association or corporation having charges legally
5 assessed against any lot in the cemetery under its
6 control or any holder of any such lot which have
7 been due and unpaid for at least ten years shall
8 be authorized to sell the unused portion of such
9 lot in such manner as its LEGISLATIVE BODY OR
10 governing board, AS THE CASE MAY BE, may direct,
11 provided a notice shall be sent by registered or
12 certified mail to any such lot-holder and any
13 other person known to be beneficially interested
14 in any such lot, at the last-known address of such
15 lot-holder or other person, which notice shall
16 substantially contain the information that, if
17 such legally assessed charges are not paid within
18 a year from the date of the issuance of such
19 notice, such TOWN, cemetery association or
20 corporation may take over any unused portion of
21 such lot for the purpose of sale, provided space
22 shall be reserved for the surviving spouse, if

23 any, of the original lot-holder, if the surviving
24 spouse would otherwise be eligible for burial in
25 such cemetery under the rules and regulations
26 governing burials in such cemetery. If such TOWN,
27 association or corporation is unable to determine
28 any person known to be beneficially interested in
29 any such lot, it shall cause to be published, in
30 a newspaper having a circulation in the town in
31 which the cemetery is located, at least once a
32 week for three consecutive weeks, a notice
33 containing the same information as is sent to any
34 known lot-holder or person known to be
35 beneficially interested. The proceeds from the
36 sale of such unused portion of such lots shall
37 first be used to reimburse such TOWN, association
38 or corporation for any past due charges and costs
39 of sale. The balance shall be placed in a
40 perpetual care fund, the interest from which shall
41 be expended in the care of such uncared-for lots
42 in such cemetery as are designated by the
43 LEGISLATIVE BODY OF SUCH TOWN OR THE governing
44 board of such cemetery, AS THE CASE MAY BE.

Bill No. 1706

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Referred to Committee on PUBLIC HEALTH AND SAFETY

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LCO No. 4944

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Introduced by SEN. ODEGARD, 4TH DIST.

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General Assembly,

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LEGISLATIVE BODY OF SUCH TOWN or the governing board of such
cemetery, AS THE CASE MAY BE. 44

STATEMENT OF PURPOSE: To authorize towns to sell the unused 47
portion of abandoned cemetery lots. 48

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets and proposed 50
additions are all capitalized, or underlined where appropriate.] 52