

State of Nevada
FUNERAL AND CEMETERY SERVICES BOARD



July 1, 2014 Legislative Meeting Overview

Timelines and Strategy

- 1) Notify Executive Branch that the Board would like to make changes; make sure there is no interest in Executive Branch making those changes (right of first refusal) – prior to August 1st
- 2) Decide on general agreed upon summary of revisions that the Board would propose for changes – approve through legislative subcommittee meetings.
- 3) Send out a survey to licensees regarding topics to vet the ideas and any possible opposition; request that survey be returned prior to August 7th meeting.
- 4) General approval of topics at the August 7th meeting.
- 5) Since the Funeral Board is still under review and monitoring by Sunset, the proposed revisions could be included in the report that Sunset will give to Legislative Commission later this year (Bustamante Adams would want the general topics immediately after the August 7th meeting).

If the Leg Commission wishes to advance the requested revisions to the NRS, it could direct the Legal Division to include the revisions in an appropriate bill draft. If the Leg Commission does not agree to move forward with the requested revisions, the Funeral Board would have to find a legislator to sponsor the legislation (hopefully Bustamante Adams)—there should be plenty of time for the Funeral Board to find someone to sponsor the bill if that becomes necessary. Bustamante Adams indicated we could possibly be in second round which would have December 1st deadline.

Lobbyist?

Topics for Changes

- Licensing requirements (need specificity)
- Crematory operator certification
- Continuing education for licensees (how many hours per year?)
- The concept of “tying a funeral directors license to a facility”
- People that make arrangements, requiring funeral director license or some certification, have to be registered with the board.
- Complete redo of the current funeral laws (need specificity)
- Clean-up of antiquated language
- Authority for FBI fingerprint background checks of applicants