Approved May 27, 1999.

CHAPTER 680

(House Bill 1031)

AN ACT concerning

Office of Cemetery Oversight - Religious, Nonprofit Cemeteries

FOR the purpose of repealing a certain provision that applies to a person that owns and operates a bona fide religious, nonprofit cemetery and sells preneed goods; expanding the scope of a certain exemption; and generally relating to cemeteries.

BY repealing

Chapter 675 of the Acts of the General Assembly of 1997 Section 9

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Business Regulation

Section 5-102(a)

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume)

BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Business Regulation

Section 5-405

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1998 Replacement Volume)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Chapter 675 of the Acts of 1997

[SECTION 9. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the provisions of this Act relating to the registration or permitting of a person that owns and operates a bona fide religious, nonprofit cemetery and sells preneed goods shall take effect on October 1, 1999.]

Article - Business Regulation

5-102.

- (a) The registration and permitting provisions of this title do not apply to:
- (1) a person that owns and operates a bona fide religious, nonprofit cemetery in this State [and does not sell preneed goods]; or