

(b) Except as otherwise provided in this title, an individual may not engage in a burial goods business or attempt to provide burial goods unless the individual is a [registered seller] AUTHORIZED AS A REGISTRANT.

5-902.

Except for a registered cemeterian or registered seller who operates a business as a sole [practitioner] PROPRIETOR OR A REGISTRANT EMPLOYED BY A SOLE PROPRIETOR, a person may not engage in the operation of a cemetery or burial goods business unless:

(1) the business is a corporation, limited liability company, or partnership; and

(2) the corporation, limited liability company, or partnership holds a permit issued under this title.

5-903.

Unless a person is a [registered cemeterian or registered seller] AUTHORIZED AS A REGISTRANT, a person may not represent to the public, by use of a title, including cemeterian, registered cemeterian, burial goods seller, or registered seller, by description of services, methods, or procedures, or otherwise, that the person is authorized to engage in the operation of a cemetery or provide burial goods.

5-905.

(A) IF THE DIRECTOR FINDS THAT A PERSON HAS VIOLATED THIS SUBTITLE OR A REGULATION ADOPTED UNDER THIS SUBTITLE, THE DIRECTOR MAY REFER THE MATTER TO:

(1) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL FOR CIVIL ENFORCEMENT; OR

(2) THE APPROPRIATE STATE'S ATTORNEY FOR CRIMINAL PROSECUTION.

(B) THE ATTORNEY GENERAL MAY SUE FOR AND A COURT MAY GRANT:

(1) INJUNCTIVE OR OTHER EQUITABLE RELIEF;

(2) IMPOSITION OF A CIVIL PENALTY NOT EXCEEDING \$5,000; OR

(3) BOTH.

SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

### **Article - Business Regulation**

5-602.

(a) In this section, "developed land area" means land in a cemetery:

(1) that is available for burial;

(2) where roads, paths, or buildings have been laid out or built; or