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INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
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December 20, 2001

James O. Pinkerton, Chairman
State Board of Funeral Directors
116 Pine Street
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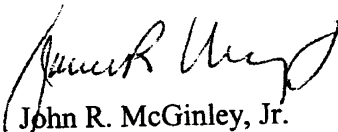
Re: Regulation #16A-482 (IRRC #2167)
State Board of Funeral Directors
Application Fees

Dear Chairman Pinkerton:

The Independent Regulatory Review Commission approved your regulation on December 20, 2001. Our Order is enclosed and is available on our website at www.irrc.state.pa.us.

We appreciate the joint effort that went into producing a regulation that meets the criteria and intent of the Regulatory Review Act.

Sincerely,


John R. McGinley, Jr.
Chairman

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Enclosure

cc: Honorable Mario J. Civera, Jr., Majority Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable William W. Rieger, Democratic Chairman, House Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable Clarence D. Bell, Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable Lisa M. Boscola, Minority Chairman, Senate Consumer Protection and Professional Licensure Committee
Honorable Kim Pizzingrilli, Secretary, Department of State

**INDEPENDENT REGULATORY REVIEW COMMISSION
APPROVAL ORDER**

Commissioners Voting:

Public Meeting Held December 20, 2001

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Regulation No. 16A-482
State Board of Funeral Directors
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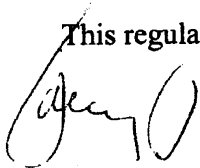
On March 6, 2001, the Independent Regulatory Review Commission (Commission) received this proposed regulation from the State Board of Funeral Directors (Board). This rulemaking amends 49 Pa. Code § 13.12. The proposed regulation was published in the March 17, 2001 *Pennsylvania Bulletin* with a 30-day public comment period. The final-form regulation was submitted to the Commission on November 27, 2001.

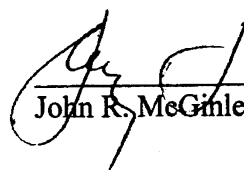
This regulation creates three new fees, reduces an existing fee and increases eight existing fees. These changes result from a systems audit of the operations of the Bureau of Professional and Occupational Affairs. The Board estimates that 1,800 persons will use one or more of the enumerated services covered by these fees within a biennial period. Total additional costs for the regulated community for the biennial period would be \$29,500. However, only those requesting the services will be affected.

We have determined this regulation is consistent with the statutory authority of the Board (63 P.S. § 479.18.1) and the intention of the General Assembly. Having considered all of the other criteria of the Regulatory Review Act, we find promulgation of this regulation is in the public interest.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

This regulation is approved.





John R. McGinley, Jr., Chairman