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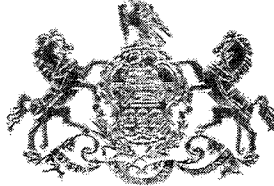
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**Senate of Pennsylvania**

November 16, 2009

Mr. Arthur Coccodrilli  
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333 Market Street, 14<sup>th</sup> Floor  
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**RE:** Regulation #4816 (IRRC #2639)  
State Board of Funeral Directors  
Pre-Need Funeral Arrangements

Dear Chairman Coccodrilli:

I am writing to comment on the final-form submission by the State Board of Funeral Directors ("the Board") regarding Pre-Need activities of Unlicensed Employees.

The availability of pre-need funerals is of great importance to Pennsylvania consumers. From both an emotional and financial perspective everyone benefits from having the choice to make these pre-need arrangements.

Given these positive aspects, I am concerned by the effect the above referenced proposed regulation would have on the viability of pre-need plans. The Board's proposal would place a severe limitation on the practicality of making pre-need arrangements accessible, especially to disabled consumers. In addition the proposed regulation imposes a substantial and unnecessary constraint to freedom of speech.

Sincerely,

Senator Anthony H. Williams  
State Senator - 8<sup>th</sup> District

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Please see attached letter from Senator Anthony H. Williams for the above regulation.

If you have any questions or concerns on this transmission, please contact me.

Thank you.

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