

HOUSE No. 00536

The Commonwealth of Massachusetts

PRESENTED BY:

Peter J. Koutoujian

To the Honorable Senate and House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts in General Court assembled:

The undersigned legislators and/or citizens respectfully petition for the passage of the accompanying bill:

An Act further regulating funeral directors.

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PETITION OF:

NAME:

Peter J. Koutoujian

DISTRICT/ADDRESS:

10th Middlesex

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By Mr. Koutoujian of Waltham, petition (accompanied by [legType], House, No. 00536) of Peter J. Koutoujian relative to further regulating funeral directors. Joint Committee on Labor and Workforce Development.

[SIMILAR MATTER FILED IN PREVIOUS SESSION
SEE
□ HOUSE
□ , NO. 3916 OF 2009-2010.]

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In the Year Two Thousand Eleven

An Act further regulating funeral directors.

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Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Court assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1 SECTION 1. Section 6 of chapter 151 A of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006

2 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following subsection:-

3 (I) The following services performed by an individual a funeral home or associated with
4 funeral services:

5 1. Parking lot assistants;

6 2. Placement of flowers in respective rooms for decedents? services;

7 3. Doorman, greeting visitors indicating which room the family is in;

- 8 4. Giving directions to church and cemeteries for respective services;
- 9 5. Rearranging furniture and chairs before and after services;
- 10 6. Arranging floral tributes in service room and removing for delivery to cemetery;
- 11 7. Delivering flowers to nursing homes after services;
- 12 8. Serving as supplemental pallbearers with family members;
- 13 9. Serving as ushers during church services;
- 14 10. Assisting elderly and handicap visitors enter & exit for services;
- 15 11. Setting out traffic funeral cones at the church where services are held.

16 SECTION 2. Section 2A of chapter 152 of the General Laws, as appearing in the 2006
17 Official Edition, is hereby amended by adding the following section:-

18 2B. The provisions of this chapter shall not apply the following services performed by an
19 individual of a funeral home or associated with funeral services:

- 20 1. Parking lot assistants;
- 21 2. Placement of flowers in respective rooms for decedents? services;
- 22 3. Doorman, greeting visitors indicating which room the family is in;
- 23 4. Giving directions to church and cemeteries for respective services;
- 24 5. Rearranging furniture and chairs before and after services;
- 25 6. Arranging floral tributes in service room and removing for delivery to cemetery;

- 26 7. Delivering flowers to nursing homes after services;
- 27 8. Serving as supplemental pallbearers with family members;
- 28 9. Serving as ushers during church services;
- 29 10. Assisting elderly and handicap visitors enter & exit for services;
- 30 11. Setting out traffic funeral cones at the church where services are held

31 SECTION 3. Chapter 111M of the General Laws as appearing in the 2006 Official Edition, is
32 hereby amended by adding the following section:-

33 Section 111M ?. The provisions of this chapter shall not apply to the following services
34 performed by an individual of a funeral home or associated with funeral services:

- 35 1. Parking lot assistants;
- 36 2. Placement of flowers in respective rooms for decedents? services;
- 37 3. Doorman, greeting visitors indicating which room the family is in;
- 38 4. Giving directions to church and cemeteries for respective services;
- 39 5. Rearranging furniture and chairs before and after services;
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- 42 8. Serving as supplemental pallbearers with family members;
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- 44 10. Assisting elderly and handicap visitors enter & exit for services;
- 45 11. Setting out traffic funeral cones at the church where services are held.