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HOUSE BILL 905

Short Title: Death Certificates/Add Burial Place/Cremation. (Public)

Sponsors: Representative Shepard.

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Referred to: Health, if favorable, Rules, Calendar, and Operations of the House

April 22, 2019

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT DIRECTING THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES,
DIVISION OF PUBLIC HEALTH, VITAL RECORDS SECTION, TO DEVELOP A
MECHANISM FOR REGISTERS OF DEED TO AMEND DEATH CERTIFICATES TO
REFLECT THE ACTUAL LOCATION WHERE CREMATED REMAINS ARE BURIED.

The General Assembly of North Carolina enacts:

SECTION 1. By October 1, 2019, the Department of Health and Human Services,
Division of Public Health, Vital Records Section, shall develop and adopt a mechanism to allow
Registers of Deed, upon the request of a family member who authorized the cremation of a
deceased person, to (i) amend the place of burial on a death certificate to reflect the actual location
where the cremated remains are buried and (ii) report this amendment to the State Registrar.

SECTION 2. By November 1, 2019, the Department of Health and Human Services,
Division of Public Health, Vital Records Section, shall report the mechanism adopted pursuant
to Section 1 of this act to the Joint Legislative Oversight Committee on Health and Human
Services.

SECTION 3. This act is effective when it becomes law.

