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HB No. 1124

Abstract: Provides that funeral directors may request information from life insurance companies regarding possible insurance on the life of a deceased person.

<u>Proposed law</u> allows funeral directors providing funeral directing services for a deceased person to ask life insurers about the possible existence of life insurance policies when authorized to do so by the person with legal authority to direct the disposition of the deceased person's remains.

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the commissioner of insurance may impose sanctions on insurers who fail to timely comply with the requests of funeral directors

<u>Proposed law</u> provides that the La. State Board of Embalmers may impose disciplinary action on a funeral director who makes a false request for information or represents that the beneficiary of a life insurance policy has a legal duty or obligation to assign or use the life insurance proceeds for payment of the deceased person's funeral expenses.

(Adds R.S. 22:918)