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## Memorandum

To:

The Honorable Carolyn McGinn, Chair

Senate Local Government Committee

From: William W. Sneed, Legislative Counsel

Newcomer Funeral Services Group

Date: February 4, 2021

RE:

SB 97

Madame Chair, Members of the Committee: My name is Bill Sneed and I am Legislative Counsel for Newcomer Funeral Services Group. Please accept this memorandum as my client's opposition to SB 97.

By way of background, the Newcomer family has been committed to funeral service dating back to 1893, when D.W. Newcomer opened a funeral home in Kansas City. Followed by his son, grandson, and great-grandson, Ren Newcomer, the tradition of serving Kansas families with care and compassion has guided the family for generations. Now in it fifth generation, this Topeka, Kansas-based company owns funeral homes, crematories and cemeteries throughout Kansas and other states.

To provide a more thorough discussion of our concerns, I have with me Mr. John Newcomer and Mr. Aaron Bailey.

We contend that after you have heard our concerns, you will agree to not take action on SB 97. Thank you for your time and I will be available for questions at the appropriate time.

Respectfully submitted,

William W Sneed