



## 99TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

### State of Illinois

2015 and 2016

HB4120

Introduced 2/27/2015, by Rep. Dan Brady

#### SYNOPSIS AS INTRODUCED:

410 ILCS 535/21.7 new

Amends the Vital Records Act. Provides that a funeral director may arrange for the transport of a dead body to a location outside of Illinois for a period not to exceed 36 hours for the purpose of organ donation, tissue harvesting, or autopsy. Provides that the funeral director is not required to obtain a permit for transportation from the Department of Public Health or local health department prior to transporting the body; rather, the funeral director shall complete and transport with the body documentation as required by the Department of Public Health. Provides that the funeral director shall provide a copy of the documentation to the medical examiner or coroner having jurisdiction over the body, and that the documentation shall serve as notice that the body is being transported outside of Illinois for a period not to exceed 36 hours. Directs the Department of Public Health to adopt rules to implement the new provisions. Provides that the new provisions apply only if the dead body is to be returned to Illinois prior to disposition.

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FISCAL NOTE ACT  
MAY APPLY

A BILL FOR

1 AN ACT concerning health.

2 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,**  
3 **represented in the General Assembly:**

4 Section 5. The Vital Records Act is amended by adding  
5 Section 21.7 as follows:

6 (410 ILCS 535/21.7 new)

7 Sec. 21.7. Temporary removal of a dead body.

8 (a) A funeral director may arrange for the transport of a  
9 dead body to a location outside of this State for a period not  
10 to exceed 36 hours for the purpose of organ donation, tissue  
11 harvesting, or autopsy.

12 (b) The funeral director is not required to obtain a permit  
13 for transportation from the Department of Public Health or  
14 local health department prior to transporting the body. Rather,  
15 the funeral director shall complete and transport with the body  
16 documentation as required by the Department of Public Health.  
17 The funeral director shall provide a copy of the documentation  
18 to the medical examiner or coroner having jurisdiction over the  
19 body. The documentation shall serve as notice that the body is  
20 being transported outside of this State for a period not to  
21 exceed 36 hours.

22 (c) The Department of Public Health shall adopt rules to  
23 implement this Section.

1           (d) This Section applies only if the dead body is to be  
2           returned to this State prior to disposition.