

2020 Regular Session

SENATE BILL NO. 147

BY SENATOR FOIL

CORONERS. Provides for the release of a body for disposition by a coroner. (8/1/20)

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AN ACT

To amend and reenact R.S. 13:5715(A)(1), relative to coroners; to provide regarding the release of a body by a coroner; and to provide for related matters.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:

Section 1. R.S. 13:5715(A)(1) is hereby amended and reenacted to read as follows:

§5715. Delivery of body; disposition of paupers; anatomical gifts; kidney or eye removal; limitation of liability

A.(1) Upon completion of an autopsy or completion of the coroner's investigation, if the investigation reveals that an autopsy is not required, the coroner shall release the body to the family or friends for ~~burial~~ **disposition**.

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The original instrument and the following digest, which constitutes no part of the legislative instrument, were prepared by Yoursheka George.

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DIGEST

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Present law requires a coroner to release a body for burial to family or friends after an autopsy or an investigation is complete.

Proposed law retains present law but replaces burial with disposition.

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Effective on August 1, 2020.

(Amends R.S. 13:5715(A)(1))