

# ASSEMBLY REGULATED PROFESSIONS COMMITTEE

## STATEMENT TO

### **SENATE, No. 2807**

with committee amendments

# STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: JUNE 6, 2019

The Assembly Regulated Professions Committee reports favorably and with committee amendments Senate Bill No. 2807.

As amended, this bill provides that no mortuary within New Jersey shall prepare food or refreshments on the mortuary premises in conjunction with any funeral or in conjunction with any service offered or provided for the preparation and disposal of dead human bodies.

In addition, the bill directs that a mortuary may provide or distribute, or permit persons attending a funeral or other service, or making funeral arrangements, to distribute and consume refreshments on or about the mortuary premises, provided the mortuary complies with applicable State and local health and sanitation requirements, only nonalcoholic beverages are served, and refreshments are not stored, prepared, distributed, or consumed in areas in which dead human bodies are stored or prepared.

#### COMMITTEE AMENDMENTS:

The committee amendments remove the section of the bill repealing section 16 of P.L.1960, c.184 (C.45:7-65.1) and provide that refreshments may be provided, distributed, or consumed under certain circumstances. The amendments provide that no mortuary within New Jersey shall prepare food or refreshments on the mortuary premises in conjunction with any funeral or in conjunction with any service offered or provided for the preparation and disposal of dead human bodies.

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