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Senate Bill 53

By Senators Sypolt and Roberts

[Introduced February 10, 2021; referred  
to the Committee on the Judiciary]

A BILL to amend the Code of West Virginia, 1931, as amended, by adding thereto a new section, designated §41-3-12, relating to providing that any next of kin who is criminally responsible for the death of a relative may not be involved in the decedent’s burial arrangements.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

ARTICLE 3. PROVISIONS AS TO CONSTRUCTION.

§41-3-12. Burial arrangements prohibition.

Any next of kin who is criminally responsible for the death of a relative is prohibited from being involved in the decedent’s burial arrangements.

NOTE: The purpose of this bill is to prohibit any next of kin who is criminally responsible for the death of a relative from being involved in the decedent’s burial arrangements.

Strike-throughs indicate language that would be stricken from a heading or the present law and underscoring indicates new language that would be added.