

## Mississippi Secretary of State

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## ADMINISTRATIVE PROCEDURES NOTICE FILING

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| AGENCY NAME<br>MS State Board of Funeral Services |                         | CONTACT PERSON<br>Della Smith              | TELEPHONE NUMBER<br>601-932-1973 |              |
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| EMAIL<br>Funeral_board@msbfs.state.ms.us          | SUBMIT DATE<br>4/1/2026 | Name or number of rule(s):<br>Rule 4.4 (1) |                                  |              |

Short explanation of rule/amendment/repeal and reason(s) for proposing rule/amendment/repeal: Changes the minimum number of caskets required on hand from 6 to 2.

Specific legal authority authorizing the promulgation of rule: 73-11-55(4)(a)

List all rules repealed, amended, or suspended by the proposed rule: 4.4(1)

## ORAL PROCEEDING:

☒ An oral proceeding is scheduled for this rule on Date: 11/3/2025 Time: 9:30 a.m. Place: Board Address

☐ Presently, an oral proceeding is not scheduled on this rule.

If an oral proceeding is not scheduled, an oral proceeding must be held if a written request for an oral proceeding is submitted by a political subdivision, an agency or ten (10) or more persons. The written request should be submitted to the agency contact person at the above address within twenty (20) days after the filing of this notice of proposed rule adoption and should include the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the person(s) making the request; and, if you are an agent or attorney, the name, address, email address, and telephone number of the party or parties you represent. At any time within the twenty-five (25) day public comment period, written submissions including arguments, data, and views on the proposed rule/amendment/repeal may be submitted to the filing agency.

## ECONOMIC IMPACT STATEMENT:

☒ Economic impact statement not required for this rule. ☐ Concise summary of economic impact statement attached.

| TEMPORARY RULES                                                                                                                                                              | PROPOSED ACTION ON RULES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                            | FINAL ACTION ON RULES                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                              |
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| _____ Original filing<br>_____ Renewal of effectiveness<br>To be in effect in _____ days<br>Effective date:<br>_____ Immediately upon filing<br>_____ Other (specify): _____ | <b>Action proposed:</b><br>_____ New rule(s)<br><u>X</u> Amendment to existing rule(s)<br>_____ Repeal of existing rule(s)<br>_____ Adoption by reference<br><b>Proposed final effective date:</b><br><u>X</u> 30 days after filing<br>_____ Other (specify): _____ | <b>Date Proposed Rule Filed:</b> _____<br><b>Action taken:</b><br>_____ Adopted with no changes in text<br>_____ Adopted with changes<br>_____ Adopted by reference<br>_____ Withdrawn<br>_____ Repeal adopted as proposed<br><b>Effective date:</b><br>_____ 30 days after filing<br>_____ Other (specify): _____ |

Printed name and Title of person authorized to file rules: Della Smith, Executive Director

Signature of person authorized to file rules: /s/ Della Smith *Della Smith*

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The entire text of the Proposed Rule including the text of any rule being amended or changed is attached.