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HB 2249: personal representatives; funeral directors; prohibition

Sponsor: Representative Bolick, LD 20

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Overview

Disqualifies a funeral director in control of a decedent's remains from seeking appointment as a personal representative of the decedent.

History

Statute specifies priority among persons seeking appointment as a personal representative of the decedent. If not disqualified, the order of priority is as follows:

- 1) Those determined by a will, or nominated by a power conferred in will;
- 2) A surviving spouse who is a devisee;
- 3) Other devisees of decedent;
- 4) Surviving spouse;
- 5) Other heirs;
- 6) The Department of Veterans' Services if the decedent was a veteran or the spouse or child of a veteran;
- 7) Any creditor 45 days after death; or
- 8) The public fiduciary. ([A.R.S. § 14-3203](#))

Provisions

1. Prohibits a funeral director or a funeral establishment owner who has control of a decedent's remains from qualifying as a creditor and seeking appointment as a personal representative of the decedent. (Sec. 1)
2. Makes technical changes (Sec. 1)

☐ Prop 105 (45 votes)

☐ Prop 108 (40 votes)

☐ Emergency (40 votes)

☐ Fiscal Note

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