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Greetings,

My name is Dana Chandler, I own 7 funeral homes serving a large part of western Maine. I am writing today to show my support for LD 786, An Act Regarding Pre-need Funeral Insurance. As 1 of 2 states left that do not allow this, I think we are missing a great opportunity to help families at this difficult time by offering them 1 more option to help them pre- pay for their final services. Pre -paying certainly relieves the family, municipality and state from the financial burden that a death can cause. We are already allowed to accept insurance as a form of pre-payment and quite often that insurance policy is for more than what is needed for final expenses and can be costly. This type of pre- need insurance allows the individual to purchase what they need for final expenses and no more, therefore keeping the cost down.

As long as we must be licensed, regulated and cannot sell any other type of insurance I think it's a very good idea that would give me 1 more option for funding a funeral or cremation service. I think it should be a choice we can offer and not a state law that requires we offer it.

Thank you for your time and consideration on this matter.

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