STATE OF NEW YORK

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2021-2022 Regular Sessions

IN SENATE

May 24, 2021

Introduced by Sen. GAUGHRAN -- read twice and ordered printed, and when printed to be committed to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to persons responsible for the disposition of the remains of a decedent

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. The opening paragraph of paragraph (a) of subdivision 2 of section 4201 of the public health law, as amended by chapter 401 of the laws of 2007, is amended to read as follows:

The following persons in descending priority shall have the right to control the disposition of the remains of such decedent**; provided that if there are more than two members of a class listed in subparagraph (iii), (v), or (vii) of this paragraph entitled to control the disposition of remains of a decedent, the disposition shall be determined by a majority of the members of the class who are reasonably available**:

§ 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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