

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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HOUSE BILL HB2432

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AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to cemeteries and burials; prohibiting burials within certain distance of property boundaries, dwellings, and water wells; setting forth certain penalties; providing for disinterment; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 401 of Title 8, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. In order to preserve the public health, safety, and welfare of the citizens of this state, the interment, entombment, or burial of the remains of a deceased person, other than in a cemetery permitted pursuant to law, shall be prohibited within one hundred (100) feet of a property or boundary line, and within three hundred (300) feet of the nearest residence or dwelling. In addition, such interments, entombments, or burials shall be prohibited within three hundred (300) feet of a water well or other water source used for human consumption.

B. Any person violating the provisions of this section shall be deemed guilty of a misdemeanor and shall, if convicted, be fined not less than Fifty Dollars (\$50.00) nor more than Five Hundred Dollars (\$500.00) or imprisoned not more than six (6) months, or both such fine and imprisonment. In addition, the remains of the deceased person shall be disinterred and the remains shall be interred, entombed, or buried in accordance with this section.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2000.

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