MISSISSIPPI LEGISLATURE
REGULAR SESSION 2002

By: Representative Banks
To: Public Health and Welfare

HOUSE BILL NO. 1249

AN ACT TO REQUIRE ESTABLISHMENTS SELLING CASKETS TO BE
REGISTERED WITH THE STATE BOARD OF FUNERAL SERVICE; TO REQUIRE
ESTABLISHMENTS SELLING CASKETS TO PROVIDE THE CONSUMER WITH
CERTAIN INFORMATION; TO PROVIDE THAT THE STATE BOARD OF FUNERAL
SERVICE SHALL PROMULGATE RULES AND REGULATIONS NECESSARY TO
IMPLEMENT THE PROVISIONS OF THIS ACT; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

SECTION 1. (1) Every establishment selling caskets where
the seller delivers the casket at the time of the execution of the
contract or upon final payment, should the payment be made in
installments, shall be registered with and regulated by the State
Board of Funeral Service of the State of Mississippi. Such
establishments shall:

(a) Furnish the consumer with a price list of all caskets
available from the establishment from the lowest price to the
highest price and state on any contract with the consumer the fee
that shall be charged for delivery of the casket;

(b) Coordinate the delivery of the casket with a funeral
home or other receiving party;

(c) Provide warranty information to the consumer or, if
there is no warranty, inform the consumer that there is no
warranty;

(d) Provide the name of the manufacturer of the casket to
the consumer; and

(e) Provide the consumer with an itemized bill, which bill
must be signed by the consumer and kept by the establishment
selling the casket for a period of at least three (3) years from
the date of sale.
(2) The State Board of Funeral Service shall promulgate rules and regulations necessary to implement the provisions of this act.

SECTION 2. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after July 1, 2002.