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Message from the Minister:

I am pleased to share with you a discussion paper that describes a proposal to license funeral and cemetery salespersons under the *Business Practices and Consumer Protection Act*. This proposal will enhance consumer protection and promote a fair marketplace by developing a regulation specific to these sales contracts that are typically entered into when consumers are in a period of grief and are vulnerable.

I am seeking your views about the introduction of a licensing requirement for this purpose. Your feedback is important and will help us to develop this proposal. Please send your comments by August 25, 2006 to:

Ministry of Public Safety and Solicitor General Corporate Policy and Planning Office PO Box 9283 Stn Prov Govt Victoria BC V8W 9J7 Fax: (250) 387-2631

This discussion paper can also be viewed online at the following Web site:

www.pssg.gov.bc.ca/legislation/

Thank you for your assistance in enhancing consumer protection, and promoting understanding in the marketplace.

Yours truly,

John Les Solicitor General

Attachment