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**AN ACT**

Relating to the funeral expenses of indigent members of certain societies requiring the societies to pay such expenses in certain cases and authorizing the deduction of the amount thereof from the sum due to the beneficiary

1 Section 1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Repre-*  
2 *sentatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in General Assembly*  
3 *met and it is hereby enacted by the authority of the same That*  
4 *when any person is a member of any fraternal beneficial*  
5 *society secret fraternal beneficial society or society organ-*  
6 *ized for beneficial or protective purposes to its members*  
7 *from funds collected therein and such member dies while*  
8 *in good standing in such society without leaving an estate*  
9 *or relatives financially and legally responsible for the burial*  
10 *of such person it shall be the duty of such society*  
11 *to defray the funeral expenses of such person*

1 Section 2 In all cases where any such person is a  
2 member in good standing at the time of death of more  
3 than one such society the expenses of the funeral shall  
4 be apportioned among the several societies according to the  
5 sums due and payable by such societies to the beneficiary  
6 of such deceased member

7 Section 3 The liability of the society for such funeral  
8 expenses shall be limited to the amount due by the society  
9 to the beneficiary of the decedent and the amount so  
10 paid for funeral expenses shall be deducted from the amount  
11 to be paid to the beneficiary and no liability on the  
12 part of the society shall exist for the sum so deducted