Texas Department of Banking Press Release

State Banking Department Seizes Records of Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Inc., located in Corsicana and Fairfield, Texas

Date: September 10, 2007

On September 10, 2007, the Texas Department of Banking (Department) seized the records relating to the prepaid funeral benefit contracts sold by Griffin-Roughton Funeral Home, Inc. (Griffin-Roughton), located in Corsicana and Fairfield, Texas. Griffin-Roughton violated Chapter 154 of the Texas Finance Code by selling prepaid funeral benefit contracts without a permit issued by the Department. The Department served both funeral home locations with a Cease and Desist Order ordering Griffin-Roughton to cease selling prepaid funeral benefit contracts and cease collecting associated funds.

If you purchased a prepaid funeral benefit contract from Griffin-Roughton, contact the Department to verify the status of your contract and to find out more about your options. The Department's address and phone number is:

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Toll-free (877) 276-5554, at the menu prompt select "3" for Inquiries/Complaints, at the next prompt select "6" for Funeral Contracts/Cemeteries. or Directly (512) 475-1285