

## TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF BANKING

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## Department of Banking Cancels Permit of Allcorn Funeral & Cremation Care, Coleman, Texas, and Seizes Related Prepaid Funeral Contract Records and Funds

On December 12, 2016, Texas Banking Commissioner Charles G. Cooper entered into a Consent Order with Allcorn Funeral & Cremation Care (Allcorn) of Coleman, Texas. As of December 20, 2016, Allcorn is closing its business and therefore will be unable to service its outstanding prepaid funeral benefits contracts. Therefore Allcorn agreed to voluntarily surrender its permit. Allcorn agreed that its permit should be cancelled and, in addition, that the Department should seize and take custody of the prepaid funeral benefits contracts administered under its permit and all records and prepaid funds related to those contracts. On December 14, 2016, the Department seized Allcorn's trust-funded prepaid funeral records.

The Consent Order is effective December 12, 2016. It is final and non-appealable as of that date. The full text of the <u>Order</u> can be viewed on the Department's website.

In accordance with Section 154.111 of the Texas Finance Code, the Department will begin proceedings to find another funeral home to service the outstanding trust-funded contracts of purchasers who elect to keep their trust-funded contracts. The Department's goal is to protect the rights and interests of these trust-funded contract purchasers by transferring responsibility to perform the trust-funded contracts to a responsible successor selected by the Banking Commissioner of Texas.

Inquiries regarding your Allcorn trust-funded prepaid funeral contract should be directed to:

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