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Quezon City, Metro Manila

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House Bill No. 2691

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INTRODUCED BY Rep. GREG G. GASATAYA

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AN ACT  
AMENDING TITLE X, FUNERALS, ARTICLE 305 OF REPUBLIC ACT. NO. 386, AS  
AMENDED, OTHERWISE KNOWN AS THE CIVIL CODE OF THE PHILIPPINES

*Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the Philippines in Congress assembled:*

SECTION 1. Article 305 of Republic Act. No. 386, as amended, otherwise known as the Civil Code of the Philippines, is hereby amended to read as follows:

**“Article 305. The duty and the right to make arrangements for the funeral of a relative and the right to have the custody and possession of the cadaver shall be in accordance with the order established for support, under Article 195 of Executive Order 209, as amended, otherwise known as the Family Code of the Philippines. In case of descendants of the same degree, or of brothers and sisters, the oldest shall be preferred. In case of ascendants, the paternal shall have a better right.”**

SECTION 2. *Separability Clause.* – If any provision of this Act is declared invalid or unconstitutional, other provisions hereof which are not affected thereby shall continue to be in full force and effect.

SECTION 3. *Repealing Clause.* — Any law, presidential decree or issuance, executive order, letter of instruction, administrative order, rule or regulation contrary to, or inconsistent with the provisions of this Act is hereby repealed, modified or amended accordingly.

SECTION 4. *Effectivity.* — This Act shall take effect fifteen (15) days after its publication in the Official Gazette or in at least two (2) newspapers of general circulation.

APPROVED,