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HOUSE ENROLLED ACT No. 1088

AN ACT to amend the Indiana Code concerning health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Indiana:

SECTION 1. IC 16-37-3-7 IS AMENDED TO READ AS FOLLOWS [EFFECTIVE JULY 1, 2016]: Sec. 7. (a) If the circumstances suggest that the death was caused by other than natural causes **or a person dies or is declared dead in an emergency department and the emergency physician, who is the physician last in attendance, is uncertain as to the cause and manner of death,** the following individual shall refer the case to the coroner for investigation:

(1) The **emergency department physician, upon consultation with an** attending physician, **if available.**

(2) If there is no **emergency department physician, the** attending physician. ~~or~~

(3) If the attending physician has failed to refer the case to the coroner, the local health officer.

(b) The coroner shall report a death coming under the coroner's supervision upon official death certificate blanks to the health officer having jurisdiction not more than three (3) days after the inquest is held. Another person may not report the death.

Speaker of the House of Representatives

President of the Senate

President Pro Tempore

Governor of the State of Indiana

Date: _____ Time: _____