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Bill Analysis

SB 47 provides a mechanism to revert burial sites to public or private cemeteries. The measure requires the site to be unused for 75 years and a reasonable search to find the owner is to be conducted by the entity responsible for the site. A reasonable search, as defined by the measure, includes sending a certified letter to the last known address associated with the site on record and publishing a description of the site in a newspaper qualified to publish public notices. If no address is on file, no letter will be required. If no person proves their claim on the site within one year of publication in the paper, the site will be deemed abandoned. Any person with a legitimate claim on a site deemed abandoned shall be compensated with a plot equal in value to the site deemed abandoned.

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