



**Department
of Commerce**

Division of Real Estate &
Professional Licensing

OHIO CEMETERY LAW TASK FORCE

Established under HB59, 130th General Assembly

NAME	TITLE/POSITION	REPRESENTS
Daniel Applegate		"private" cemeteries
Stephen George	Senior Advisor	Ohio Historical Society
Honorable Keith G. Houts	Jefferson Township Trustee, Mercer County	Ohio Township Association
Dr. John N. Low	Ohio State University-Newark	Native Americans
Honorable Cory Noonan	Allen County Commissioner	Local government, other than townships
Anne Petit	Superintendent	Commerce/RE&PL
Patrick Piccininni	General Counsel	ODOT
Jay Russell	Retired/Member	Ohio Genealogical Society
David Snyder	Ohio Historical Preservation Office	Archeologists
James N. Turner	Counsel	ODNR
James Wright	Commission Member	OCDRC

AUTHORIZING STATUTE:

Deadlines

Appointments: October 29, 2013

Report of Recommendations: September 29, 2014

SECTION 747.10. (A) The Ohio Cemetery Law Task Force shall develop recommendations on modifications of the laws of this state relating to cemeteries.

(B) The Ohio Cemetery Law Task Force is established. The Task Force shall consist of the following eleven members: a representative of local government, other than townships, appointed by the President of the Senate; a representative of the Ohio Township Association appointed by the President of the Senate; a representative of Native Americans appointed by the President of the Senate; a representative of private cemeteries appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; a representative of the Ohio Historical Society appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; a representative of archeologists appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives; a representative of the Ohio Genealogical Society appointed by the Governor; a

representative of the Ohio Cemetery Dispute Resolution Commission appointed by the Governor; a representative of the Division of Real Estate and Professional Licensing in the Department of Commerce appointed by the Governor; a representative of the Department of Transportation appointed by the Governor; and a representative of the Department of Natural Resources appointed by the Governor.

The initial appointments shall be made not later than thirty days after the effective date of this section. Vacancies shall be filled in the manner provided for original appointments.

The Task Force shall elect two of its members to serve as co-chairpersons of the Task Force.

The Task Force shall meet as often as necessary to carry out its duties and responsibilities. Members of the Task Force shall serve without compensation.

(C) The Task Force shall issue a report of its recommendations to the President of the Senate, the Speaker of the House of Representatives, and the Governor not later than one year after the effective date of this section. The Task Force ceases to exist upon submitting its report.