

**§3028-D. Disposal of identified human remains without connection to State and unidentified human remains**

**1. Assumption of responsibility.** The Chief Medical Examiner may assume responsibility for proper disposition of the identified human remains of a deceased nonresident of this State or unidentified human remains that are the subject of a medical examiner case if the Chief Medical Examiner has made reasonable inquiry and is unable to locate:

A. Next of kin or a person or governmental unit legally responsible for the human remains; or [PL 2001, c. 292, §1 (NEW).]

B. A person or governmental unit otherwise willing to assume responsibility for the human remains. [PL 2001, c. 292, §1 (NEW).]  
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**2. Necessary expenses.** The expenses incurred by the Chief Medical Examiner must be paid as follows.

A. The department shall pay any necessary expenses incurred by the Chief Medical Examiner as to:

(1) Unidentified human remains that, after reasonable inquiry, the Chief Medical Examiner has determined not to be the human remains of an illegal alien; and

(2) A deceased nonresident other than an illegal alien. [PL 2001, c. 292, §1 (NEW).]

B. The Department of the Attorney General shall pay any necessary expenses incurred by the Chief Medical Examiner as to:

(1) A deceased nonresident who is an illegal alien; and

(2) Unidentified human remains that, after reasonable inquiry, the Chief Medical Examiner has determined to be the human remains of an illegal alien. [PL 2001, c. 292, §1 (NEW).]

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**SECTION HISTORY**

PL 2001, c. 292, §1 (NEW).

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