MEMORANDUM

DATE:       June 17, 2013

TO:         The Delaware General Assembly

FROM:       Diann Jones, Chairperson
            Developmental Disabilities Council

RE:         SB130 [Amend Delaware Code relating to Burials]

The Developmental Disabilities Council (DDC) has reviewed SB130 which would provide next of kin the option of cremation or to donate a loved one's body to science instead of mandating burial if the person is indigent. The DDC endorses the concept of the bill.

Thank you for your consideration and please contact Developmental Disabilities Council at 302-739-3333 if you have any questions regarding our position or observations on the proposed legislation.

cc:          The Honorable Jack Markell
             Mr. Brian Hartman, Esq.
             Governor's Advisory Council for Exceptional Citizens
             State Council for Persons with Disabilities