amended by Chapter 496 of the Acts of 1908, entitled "An Act to create and establish the State Board of Undertakers of Maryland, and to prescribe the powers and duties of said Board," be and the same is hereby repealed and re-enacted so as to read as follows:

SEC. 8. Before any person, co-partnership or corporation shall hereafter engage in the business of undertaking in the State of Maryland, and before any member of any such co-partnership, assistant or employee of any such person. co-partnership or corporation, or officer of such corporation whose duties will engage him or her in the care, preparation, disposition or burial of the dead shall discharge the duties of such business, employment or office, and before any person, co-partnership or corporation now so engaged in said business of undertaking in this State, and before any member of any such co-partnership, assistant or employee of any such person, co-partnership or corporation or officer or such corporation whose duties now engage him or her in the care, preparation, disposition or burial of the dead, who shall have failed to register with the said board in accordance with Section 7 of this Act, shall then continue in such business, such person, co-partnership or corporation, members of such co-partnerships and all assistants and employees of any such person, co-partnerships or corporations and officers of such corporations. whose duties engage him or her in the care, preparation, disposition or burial of the dead, shall apply by petition to the said board for a license to practice the same, which petition shall state whether said applicant purposes to practice said business as a principal or as an assistant or employee; thereupon the applicant as aforesaid shall present himself or herself before said board at a time and place to be fixed by said board, and if the said board shall find, upon due examination, that the applicant is over twenty-one years of age and has been employed at least two years prior to said application by some person, firm or corporation actively engaged in the work of practical embalming and undertaking and is of good moral character, possessed of skill and knowledge of the said business, and has a reasonable knowledge of sanitation, preservation of the dead, disinfecting the body of a deceased person, the apartment, clothing and bedding in case of death resulting from infectious or contagious disease, the board shall issue to said applicant, upon the payment of a fee of twenty dollars, a license to practice said business of undertaking in the State of Maryland, and shall register such applicant as a duly licensed principal or assistant undertaker in accordance with his or her application; provided, however, that said board may issue such a license to any person between the ages of eighteen