

(1957 Edition), title "Health", sub-title "Funeral Directors and Embalmers", increasing certain fees applicable to funeral directors and embalmers.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of Maryland,* That Sections 345, 346 and 351(a) of Article 43 of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1957 Edition), title "Health", sub-title "Funeral Directors and Embalmers", be and they are hereby repealed and re-enacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

345.

It shall be the duty of any person, copartnership or corporation now licensed to carry on the business of funeral directing in the State of Maryland at the time of the passage of this sub-title, to cause, within sixty days after the passage of this sub-title, his, her, its or their name or names, residence or place of business, to be registered with the State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers of Maryland whose secretary shall keep a book for that purpose. If such application shall be made by a copartnership, the same shall state the names and addresses of the persons composing such copartnership, and if such application shall be made by a corporation, it shall state the names and addresses of the officers and directors of said corporation, and upon receipt of said application such persons, copartnerships or corporations shall receive from the State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers of Maryland a license which shall authorize the person, copartnership or corporation named therein to carry on the business of funeral directing in the State of Maryland up to and including the first day of May next succeeding the granting of said license. Any such license may be renewed annually upon the payment to the State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers of Maryland of an annual renewal license fee of [ten] *twenty-five* dollars by such person, copartnership or corporation to whom such license shall have been issued. Such license shall be signed by the secretary of the State Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers of Maryland and attested by its seal, and such licenses may be issued by the secretary of said Board during the interim of the meetings of the said Board upon proper application and the payment of such license fee of [ten] *twenty-five* dollars.

346.

Before any person shall hereafter engage in the business of funeral directing in this State and before any person, copartnership or corporation now so engaged in said business in this State, who shall fail to register with said Board in accordance with Sec. 345 of this sub-title, shall continue to carry on said business of funeral directing in this State, such person, members of copartnership or corporation shall apply to said Board of Funeral Directors and Embalmers for license to carry on the business of funeral directing, shall present himself or herself before said Board at time and place to be fixed by said Board and if the Board shall find, upon due examination and the payment of an examination fee of [twenty-five] *fifty* dollars, that the applicant or applicants are of good moral character, twenty-one years of age, and free from habits liable to interfere with the performance of the duties which he or she desires to perform, that said applicant has had two years of practical experience as an apprentice with a licensed funeral director in this State and as an apprentice has assisted on not less than twenty funerals, and that he or she