

CHAPTER 146

(Senate Bill 914)

AN ACT concerning

Funeral Directors and Embalmers - Examination

FOR the purpose of requiring a certain examination to include cremation as one of the subjects of examination; permitting a written examination to be either the National Board administered by certain national boards or an accredited examination prepared by the National Funeral Service Examining Boards; requiring a certain Board to provide a cadaver for applicants in a practical demonstration of embalming; and clarifying language.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article 43 - Health
Section 347(a)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That Section 347(a) of Article 43 - Health, of the Annotated Code of Maryland (1971 Replacement Volume and 1975 Supplement) be and it is hereby repealed and reenacted, with amendments, to read as follows:

Article 43 - Health

347.

(a) The Board shall examine the applicant as to the proper sanitation and disinfection [of the clothing and bedding] of persons dying from infectious or contagious diseases [and of the premises in which they died]. The examination also shall cover theoretically and practically the subjects of anatomy, sanitation, disinfection, embalming and the caring for and preparing of DEAD HUMAN BODIES FOR burial, CREMATION, and shipment ~~[[of dead human bodies]]~~. The examination shall also relate to laws and regulations on contagious, infectious and communicable diseases. It shall also cover the laws of this State, both general and local concerning burials and burial permits; and the examination shall cover [such] other subjects as the Board [may deem] CONSIDERS necessary and proper. THE WRITTEN EXAMINATION MAY BE THE NATIONAL BOARD ADMINISTERED BY THE CONFERENCE OF FUNERAL SERVICE EXAMINING BOARDS OF THE UNITED STATES OR AN ACCREDITED EXAMINATION PREPARED BY THE CONFERENCE OF FUNERAL SERVICE EXAMINING BOARDS OF THE UNITED STATES.