

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from Art. 43, § 345.

Subsection (a) of this section is standard language added to this and, where necessary, corresponding sections of other titles of this article.

Subsection (e) of this section is standard language added to this and, where necessary, corresponding sections of other titles of this article to state expressly that if an applicant for a mortician license is required to take an examination under this subtitle, then the applicant must pass that examination before the applicant may be licensed.

Subsection (d)(1) of this section is new language added to make express what presently is only implied in the law -- that an applicant must complete the requirements of an apprenticeship to qualify for a license. The present law is not clear as to apprentices. Based on current practices in this profession, the Commission to Revise the Annotated Code has attempted to clarify the status of an apprentice and the requirements of an apprenticeship. This issue is called to the attention of the General Assembly.

In subsection (d)(2) of this section, the phrase "in this State" is added to clarify that the practical experience requirement of an apprenticeship must be completed in this State. This language is based on an interpretation of the title as a whole and reflects the current practice of the Board. See present Art. 43, §§ 352(a) and 356, which indicate that the requirement for practical experience in this State is waived only in very narrow circumstances. This issue also is called to the attention of the General Assembly.

In subsection (d)(2)(ii) of this section, the reference to the "Conference of Funeral Service Examining Boards of the United States" is added in light of current practice and other references to this organization in this title. See present Art. 43, § 347(a), now § 6-304(d) of this subtitle.

The last part of present Art. 43, § 345 (a), which requires an applicant to be "...free from habits liable to interfere with the performance of the duties of funeral director and embalmer", is deleted as vague and archaic. It is called to the attention of the General Assembly that there