establish certain qualifications, examinations, and experience requirements for licensing funeral directors; requiring that certain practical examinations, competency demonstrations, and practical experience do not include embalming; requiring that applicants for certain apprentice licenses have certain sponsors; repealing certain renewal provisions for funeral directors licensed before a certain date; altering certain definitions; establishing certain legislative intent; and generally relating to funeral directors.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - Health Occupations

Section <del>7-301 and 7-306</del> <u>7-101, 7-201, 7-206(a) and (c)(2), 7-301 through 7-306, 7-308(e), 7-308, 1, 7-401, 7-402, 7-408, and 7-409</u>

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## BY repealing

Article - Health Occupations

Section 7-307

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SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

## Article - Health Occupations

## 7-101.

- (a) In this title the following words have the meanings indicated.
- (b) "Apprentice" means an individual licensed by the Board who assists a licensed mortician OR FUNERAL DIRECTOR in the practice of mortuary science OR FUNERAL DIRECTION, under direct supervision of a licensed mortician OR FUNERAL DIRECTOR.
  - (c) "Apprentice sponsor" means a person who:
- (1) Is a licensed mortician OR FUNERAL DIRECTOR practicing mortuary science as a licensed mortician OR FUNERAL DIRECTOR in Maryland at least 1 year immediately prior to accepting the applicant as an apprentice; and
  - (2) Provides direct supervision to an apprentice.
- (d) "Board" means the Maryland State Board of Morticians AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS.