



1 employment in the United States;

2 (4) Has a high school diploma or its equivalent;

3 (5) Has completed one of the following education requirements,  
4 as evidenced by a transcript submitted to the board for evaluation:

5 (A) (i) Has an associate degree from an accredited college or  
6 university; or

7 (ii) Has successfully completed at least sixty semester hours  
8 or ninety quarter hours of academic work in an accredited college  
9 or university toward a baccalaureate degree with a declared major  
10 field of study; and (iii) Has graduated from a school of  
11 mortuary science, accredited by the American Board of Funeral  
12 Service Education, Inc., which requires as a prerequisite to  
13 graduation the completion of a course of study of not less than  
14 twelve months; or

15 (B) Has a bachelor degree in mortuary science from an  
16 accredited college or university;

17 (6) Has completed a one-year apprenticeship, under the  
18 supervision of a licensed embalmer and funeral director actively  
19 and lawfully engaged in the practice of embalming and funeral  
20 directing in this state, which apprenticeship consisted of:

21 (A) Diligent attention to the work in the course of regular  
22 and steady employment and not as a side issue to another  
23 employment; and

24 (B) The apprentice taking an active part in: (i) The

1 operation of embalming not less than thirty-five dead human bodies;

2 and

3 (ii) Conducting not less than thirty-five funeral services;

4 (7) Passes, with an average score of not less than seventy-

5 five percent, the following examinations:

6 (A) The National Conference of Funeral Services examination at

7 a testing site provided by the national conference, which passage

8 is a condition precedent to taking the state law examination;

9 (B) The state law examination administered by the board, which

10 examination must be offered at least twice each year; and

11 (C) Any other examination required by the board; and

12 (8) Has paid all the appropriate fees.

13 (b) A license to practice embalming issued by the board prior

14 to July 1, 2012, shall for all purposes be considered a license

15 issued under this section: *Provided*, That a person holding a

16 license issued prior to July 1, 2012, must renew the license

17 pursuant to the provisions of this article.