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SENATE BILL NO. 757

96TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY

INTRODUCED BY SENATOR WASSON.

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TERRY L. SPIELER, Secretary.

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AN ACT

To repeal section 333.042, RSMo, and to enact in lieu thereof one new section relating to limited licenses for funeral directing.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Section 333.042, RSMo, is repealed and one new section
2 enacted in lieu thereof, to be known as section 333.042, to read as follows:

333.042. 1. Every person desiring to enter the profession of funeral
2 directing in this state shall make application with the state board of embalmers
3 and funeral directors and pay the current application and examination
4 fees. Except as otherwise provided in section 41.950, applicants not entitled to
5 a license pursuant to section 333.051 shall serve an apprenticeship for at least
6 twelve consecutive months in a funeral establishment licensed for the care and
7 preparation for burial and transportation of the human dead in this state or in
8 another state which has established standards for admission to practice funeral
9 directing equal to, or more stringent than, the requirements for admission to
10 practice funeral directing in this state. The applicant shall devote at least fifteen
11 hours per week to his or her duties as an apprentice under the supervision of a
12 Missouri licensed funeral director. Such applicant shall submit proof to the
13 board, on forms provided by the board, that the applicant has arranged and
14 conducted ten funeral services during the applicant's apprenticeship under the
15 supervision of a Missouri licensed funeral director. Upon completion of the
16 apprenticeship, the applicant shall appear before the board to be tested on the
17 applicant's legal and practical knowledge of funeral directing, funeral home
18 licensing, preneed funeral contracts and the care, custody, shelter, disposition and
19 transportation of dead human bodies. Upon acceptance of the application and
20 fees by the board, an applicant shall have twenty-four months to successfully

21 complete the requirements for licensure found in this section or the application
22 for licensure shall be cancelled.

23 2. If a person applies for a limited license to work only in a funeral
24 establishment which is licensed only for cremation, including transportation of
25 dead human bodies to and from the funeral establishment, he or she shall make
26 application, pay the current application and examination fee and successfully
27 complete the Missouri law examination. He or she shall be exempt from the
28 twelve-month apprenticeship required by subsection 1 of this section and the
29 practical examination before the board. If a person has a limited license issued
30 pursuant to this subsection, he or she may obtain a full funeral director's license
31 if he or she fulfills the apprenticeship and successfully completes the funeral
32 director practical examination. **As of August 28, 2013, no further limited**
33 **licenses shall be issued. All persons holding a limited license shall be**
34 **able to hold, renew, and reinstate as set out in this chapter as it existed**
35 **on August 27, 2013.**

36 3. If an individual is a Missouri licensed embalmer or has completed a
37 program accredited by the American Board of Funeral Service Education, any
38 successor organization, or other accrediting entity as approved by the board or
39 has successfully completed a course of study in funeral directing offered by an
40 institution accredited by a recognized national, regional or state accrediting body
41 and approved by the state board of embalmers and funeral directors, and desires
42 to enter the profession of funeral directing in this state, the individual shall
43 comply with all the requirements for licensure as a funeral director pursuant to
44 subsection 1 of section 333.041 and subsection 1 of this section; however, the
45 individual is exempt from the twelve-month apprenticeship required by
46 subsection 1 of this section.

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