

THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

HOUSE BILL

No. 1819 Session of 2023

INTRODUCED BY BURNS, HILL-EVANS, ROZZI, MADDEN, SANCHEZ AND HADDOCK, NOVEMBER 8, 2023

AS REPORTED FROM COMMITTEE ON PROFESSIONAL LICENSURE, HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES, AS AMENDED, MARCH 18, 2024

AN ACT

1 Amending the act of January 14, 1952 (1951 P.L.1898, No.522),
2 entitled "An act to provide for the better protection of life
3 and health of the citizens of this Commonwealth by requiring
4 and regulating the examination, licensure and registration of
5 persons and registration of corporations engaging in the
6 care, preparation and disposition of the bodies of deceased
7 persons, and providing penalties; providing for a State Board
8 of Funeral Directors in the Department of State, and
9 repealing other laws," further providing for duties of board.

10 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania
11 hereby enacts as follows:

12 Section 1. Section 16(b) of the act of January 14, 1952
13 (1951 P.L.1898, No.522), known as the Funeral Director Law, is
14 amended to read:

15 Section 16. Duties of Board.--* * *

16 (b) The board shall appoint an inspector or inspectors whose
17 title shall be "Inspector, State Board of Funeral Directors,
18 Commonwealth of Pennsylvania." Such inspectors shall be licensed
19 funeral directors who have been actively engaged in the practice
20 of such profession for at least [ten] ~~five~~ SEVEN years. <--

21 Inspectors shall hold office at the pleasure of the board, and

1 shall receive such compensation as shall be fixed by the board
2 with the approval of the department. Inspectors shall be
3 empowered to serve all processes and papers of the board, and
4 shall have the right of entry into any place, where the business
5 or profession of funeral directing is carried on or advertised
6 as being carried on, for the purpose of inspection and for the
7 investigation of complaints coming before the board and for such
8 other matters as the board may direct.

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10 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.