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State of Minnesota

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NINETY-THIRD SESSION

H. F. No. 1039

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The bill was read for the first time and referred to the Committee on Health Finance and Policy

1.1 A bill for an act
1.2 relating to health; modifying the requirements for reciprocal licensure to practice
1.3 mortuary science; amending Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 149A.30, subdivision
1.4 1.

1.5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MINNESOTA:

1.6 Section 1. Minnesota Statutes 2022, section 149A.30, subdivision 1, is amended to read:

1.7 Subdivision 1. Licensees of other states. (a) The commissioner may issue a reciprocal
1.8 license to practice mortuary science to a person who holds a current license or other credential
1.9 from another jurisdiction if the commissioner determines that the requirements for that
1.10 license or other credential are substantially similar to the requirements under this chapter.

1.11 The individual seeking reciprocal licensing must person:

1.12 (1) attain attains:

1.13 (i) a passing score on the Minnesota state licensing examination; and

1.14 (ii) a passing score on the National Board Examination administered by the International
1.15 Conference of Funeral Service Examining Boards of the United States, Inc., or another
1.16 examination determined by the commissioner to adequately and accurately assess the
1.17 knowledge and skills required to practice mortuary science;

1.18 (2) submit submits to the commissioner the documentation described in section 149A.20,
1.19 subdivision 7, clauses (1) and (5), and certification of a passing score on an examination
1.20 described in clause (1), item (ii); and

1.21 (3) pay pays the appropriate licensing fee;

1.22 (4) submits to the commissioner:

2.1 (i) documentation that the person meets one of the educational requirements in section  
2.2 149A.20, subdivision 4; or

2.3 (ii) documentation that the person has been licensed or credentialed in another jurisdiction  
2.4 and a signed, dated affidavit from the person declaring that the person has engaged in at  
2.5 least three years of practice in that jurisdiction performing the duties of a licensed mortician;

2.6 (5) submits to the commissioner a signed, dated affidavit from the person declaring that  
2.7 the person is not subject to any pending investigations by the mortuary science licensing or  
2.8 credentialing authority in any other jurisdiction and is not currently practicing as a licensed  
2.9 mortician in any other jurisdiction under a restricted license or credential;

2.10 (6) submits to the commissioner a signed, dated affidavit from the person declaring that  
2.11 the person has performed at least 25 services, completed at least 25 funeral arrangements,  
2.12 and performed at least 25 embalming cases; and

2.13 (7) submits to the commissioner documentation that the person has completed the  
2.14 continuing education hours required in section 149A.40, subdivision 11, within the two-year  
2.15 period prior to applying for licensure under this subdivision.

2.16 (b) When, in the determination of the commissioner, all of the requirements of this  
2.17 subdivision have been met, the commissioner shall, based on all the information available,  
2.18 grant or deny licensure. If the commissioner grants licensure, the applicant shall be notified  
2.19 and the license shall issue and remain valid for a period prescribed on the license, but not  
2.20 to exceed one calendar year from the date of issuance of the license. If the commissioner  
2.21 denies licensure, the commissioner must notify the applicant, in writing, of the denial and  
2.22 provide the specific reason for denial.