An Act

ENROLLED HOUSE BILL NO. 1827

By: Martin and Sherrer of the House

and

Standridge and Sharp of the Senate

An Act relating to professions and occupations; amending 59 O.S. 2011, Section 396.4, which relates to Funeral Services Licensing Act; modifying fees; defining term; and providing an effective date.

SUBJECT: Funeral Services Licensing Act

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 59 O.S. 2011, Section 396.4, is amended to read as follows:

Section 396.4 A. <u>1. The Oklahoma Funeral Board shall set fees</u> pursuant to rule for all licenses, registrations, examinations and renewals required by the Funeral Services Licensing Act.

<u>2.</u> Until the Oklahoma Funeral Board sets fees pursuant to subsection B of this section <u>rule</u>, the following shall be the fees charged for the licenses, registrations, and examinations required by the Funeral Services Licensing Act:

Funeral Director License or Renewal	\$75.00
Embalmer License or Renewal	\$75.00
Registration for Funeral Director/Embalmer Apprentice	\$150.00
Extension of Funeral Director/Embalmer Apprentice	\$150.00

Embalmer Examination	\$100.00		
Funeral Director Examination	\$100.00		
State Law Examination			
Funeral Establishment License or Renewal	\$250.00		
Commercial Embalming Establishment License or Renewal	\$250.00		
Reciprocal License for Funeral Director or Embalmer	\$150.00		
Change of Funeral Director in Charge	\$150.00		
Crematory License <u>or Renewal</u>	\$250.00		

B. The Oklahoma Funeral Board shall set the fees by rule for those activities listed in subsection A of this section assess Three Dollars (\$3.00) for each disposition performed by the licensed funeral establishment or commercial embalming establishment. The disposition fee shall be payable upon renewal of the license as provided in subsection E of this section and shall be calculated from November 1 of the preceding calendar year to October 31 of the current calendar year for each licensee. For purposes of this subsection, "disposition" means each time the licensed establishment files an original death certificate pursuant to Section 1-317 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes.

C. Fees for funeral director, embalmer, and state law examinations shall be paid prior to the scheduled examination. An examination fee shall not be refundable.

D. The Oklahoma Funeral Board is authorized to determine and fix special administrative service fees. Each such fee shall not be in excess of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.00).

E. If any renewal fee required by this section is not paid on or before December 31 of each year, the amount of the fee shall be doubled and if the fee is not paid on or before April 30 of the subsequent year, the licensee shall be in default and the license shall terminate automatically.

F. All examinations of the Oklahoma Funeral Board shall be exempt from the Oklahoma Open Records Act in order to maintain the

integrity of the examination process. Copies of completed examinations shall only be released upon receipt of a court order from a court of competent jurisdiction.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2015.

Passed the House of Representatives the 20th day of May, 2015.

Presiding Officer of the House of Representatives

Passed the Senate the 22nd day of May, 2015.

Presiding Officer of the Senate

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