WEST VIRGINIA CODE: §30-6-4

§30-6-4. Board of funeral service examiners.

(a) The "West Virginia Board of Embalmers and Funeral Directors" is hereby continued and shall, after June 30, 2002, be known as the "West Virginia Board of Funeral Service Examiners". The members of the board in office on July 1, 2002 shall, unless sooner removed, continue to serve until their respective terms expire and until their successors have been appointed and qualified.

(b) Commencing with the board terms beginning July 1, 2002, the board shall consist of seven members appointed for terms of four years by the Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate. Five members must be licensed embalmers and funeral directors, and one member must be a citizen member who is not licensed, certified or registered under the provisions of this article and who is not a person who performs any services related to the practice of embalming or funeral directing. Commencing with the board terms beginning July 1, 2002, the Governor shall appoint, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, one person who operates a crematory in West Virginia which person shall replace the current board member whose term ended on June 30, 2002. The crematory operator who is appointed for the term commencing July 1, 2002, shall register and be certified, pursuant to the provisions of this article. Any crematory operator appointed thereafter shall be certified, pursuant to the provisions of this article.

(c) Each licensed member of the board, at the time of his or her appointment, must have held a license in this state for a period of not less than five years immediately preceding the appointment and each member must be a resident of this state during the appointment term. Each certified member must abide by the provisions of subsection (b) of this section. Board members must represent at least four different geographic regions of the state.

(d) No member may serve more than two consecutive full terms and any member having served two full terms may not be appointed for one year after completion of his or her second full term. A member shall continue to serve until his or her successor has been appointed and qualified.

(e) The Governor may remove any member from the board for neglect of duty, incompetency or official misconduct.

(f) Any member of the board immediately and automatically forfeits his or her membership if he or she has his or her license or certificate to practice suspended or revoked by the board, is convicted of a felony under the laws of any state or the United States or becomes a nonresident of this state.

(g) The board shall annually elect one of its members as president and one of its members as secretary.

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(h) Each member of the board shall receive compensation and expense reimbursement in accordance with section eleven, article one of this chapter.

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