

**65-1771. Licensure of crematory operator; application; qualifications.** (a) On and after July 1, 2011, it shall be unlawful for any person to engage in or attempt to engage in the business of a crematory operator in this state without a crematory operator's license issued by the state board of mortuary arts.

(b) On and after July 1, 2011, every person desiring to enter the practice of a crematory operator shall make written application to the board on forms as prescribed by the board. The application shall show that the applicant is of legal age, has successfully completed training in performing cremation services and received certification by an organization whose program with a minimum of six hours has been approved by the board within twelve months of the board's approval of application. If the applicant has not received such training when applying to the board, they must have received training from another person who has already received such training. That training must also be a minimum of six hours with the trainer and program approved by the board. At the end of one year of licensure as a crematory operator if the individual has not received training from an organization of an approved program as previously described, the crematory operator's license will be automatically suspended until such time as approved training has been completed.

**History:** L. 2010, ch. 131, § 3; July 1.