

1 State of Arkansas  
2 93rd General Assembly  
3 Regular Session, 2021

# A Bill

HOUSE BILL 1140

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5 By: Representative Vaught

## For An Act To Be Entitled

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8 AN ACT TO MODIFY THE LAW CONCERNING EMBALMERS AND  
9 FUNERAL DIRECTORS; AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

### Subtitle

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12 TO MODIFY THE LAW CONCERNING EMBALMERS  
13 AND FUNERAL DIRECTORS.

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17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

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19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 17-29-302(b)(1)(B)(iv)(b), concerning the  
20 qualifications for a funeral director, is amended to read as follows:

21 (b) A case report under subdivision  
22 (b)(1)(B)(iv)(a) of this section shall be signed by the apprentice and the  
23 licensed funeral director under whose supervision the work was ~~performed~~  
24 performed.

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26 SECTION 2. Arkansas Code § 17-29-302(c), concerning continuing  
27 education for a funeral director, is amended to read as follows:

28 (c)(1) The board shall require applicants for licensure as funeral  
29 directors to successfully complete up to twenty (20) hours of classroom  
30 instruction in funeral service practices and ethics, laws, and rules  
31 affecting funeral service.

32 (2) As used in subdivision (c)(1) of this section, "classroom  
33 instruction" means instruction that is delivered:

34 (A) On-site or that requires the attendee to be at the  
35 same physical location as the instructor; or

36 (B) By any virtual method through remote communication,



1 including audio-only or audio-and-video instruction that is delivered  
2 digitally.

3 (3) Only courses of instruction approved by the board shall  
4 satisfy the requirement under subdivision (c)(1) of this section.

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6 SECTION 3. Arkansas Code § 17-29-313(a)(2)(A)(ii), concerning the  
7 notice required for construction of a crematorium, is amended to read as  
8 follows:

9 (ii) The notice shall:

10 (a)(1) Be published on the Sunday and  
11 Wednesday no more than fifteen (15) days nor less than seven (7) days before  
12 submitting an application to the board.

13 (2) Publication as described in  
14 subdivision (a)(2)(A)(ii)(a)(1) of this section is sufficient if the notice  
15 is published in the newspaper's print edition or digital edition, or both;  
16 and

17 (b) Invite members of the public to submit  
18 written protest to the construction of the proposed crematorium to the board  
19 at the address designated by the board; and

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