### HOUSE BILL 463

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### By: **Delegate K. Young** Introduced and read first time: February 9, 2015 Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

Committee Report: Favorable House action: Adopted Read second time: March 20, 2015

CHAPTER \_\_\_\_\_

1 AN ACT concerning

# State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors – Funeral Establishment Licenses – Ownership and Operation Requirements

FOR the purpose of altering the criteria to be used by the State Board of Morticians and
Funeral Directors when issuing a funeral establishment license so as to require that
the funeral establishment be owned and operated in accordance with certain
provisions of law by a certain individual or group of individuals or operated in
accordance with certain provisions of law by a holder of a certain license; and
generally relating to the State Board of Morticians and Funeral Directors, funeral
establishment licenses, and ownership and operation requirements.

- 11 BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,
- 12 Article Health Occupations
- 13 Section 7–310(c)
- 14 Annotated Code of Maryland
- 15 (2014 Replacement Volume)

## SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

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### Article – Health Occupations

19 7–310.

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.

<u>Underlining</u> indicates amendments to bill.

Strike out indicates matter stricken from the bill by amendment or deleted from the law by amendment.



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$\frac{1}{2}$	(c) The Board shall issue a funeral establishment license to a funeral establishment that:
3	(1) Has complied with all applicable State and local laws; and
4	(2) Will be [owned]:
5 6 7	(I) OWNED and operated in accordance with this title by [at least one] AN INDIVIDUAL WHO IS OR A GROUP OF INDIVIDUALS IN WHICH EACH INDIVIDUAL IS:
8	[(i)] 1. [Licensed] A LICENSED mortician;
9	[(ii)] 2. [Licensed] A LICENSED funeral director;
10	[(iii)] <b>3.</b> [Holder] <b>A</b> HOLDER of a surviving spouse license; <b>O</b> R
11	[(iv)] 4. [Holder] A HOLDER of a corporation license; or
$\frac{12}{13}$	[(v)] (II) [Holder] OPERATED IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS TITLE BY A HOLDER of an executor license.
14	SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect

15 October 1, 2015.

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Approved:

Governor.

Speaker of the House of Delegates.

President of the Senate.