

HB0729/896081/1

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL 729
(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in line 5, after “a” insert “public”; in the same line, strike “obtain injunctive relief” and substitute “impose a civil fine of no more than a certain amount”; in line 6, after “law” insert “under certain circumstances”; in the same line, strike “making a technical correction” and substitute “providing that each violation of certain provisions of law is a separate offense under certain circumstances”; and strike in their entirety lines 8 through 12, inclusive, and substitute:

“BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,

Article - Health Occupations

Section 7-501 and 7-502

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)

BY adding to

Article - Health Occupations

Section 7-509

Annotated Code of Maryland

(2014 Replacement Volume)”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 1 and 2, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 16 on page 1 through line 16 on page 2, inclusive, and substitute:

“7-501.

(Over)

Except as otherwise provided in this title, a person may not practice, attempt to practice, offer to practice, or assist in the practice of mortuary science in this State unless licensed by the Board.

7-502.

Unless authorized to practice mortuary science under this title, a person may not represent to the public by title, by description of services, methods, or procedures, or otherwise, that the person is authorized to practice mortuary science in this State.

7-509.

(A) SUBJECT TO SUBSECTION (C) OF THIS SECTION AND THE HEARING PROVISIONS OF § 7-319 OF THIS TITLE, AND IN ADDITION TO ANY OTHER SANCTION AUTHORIZED FOR A VIOLATION OF § 7-501 OR § 7-502 OF THIS SUBTITLE, THE BOARD MAY ISSUE A PUBLIC CEASE AND DESIST ORDER, IMPOSE A CIVIL FINE OF NOT MORE THAN \$5,000 PER OFFENSE, OR BOTH.

(B) FOR THE PURPOSES OF THIS SECTION, EACH VIOLATION IS A SEPARATE OFFENSE IF THE VIOLATION OCCURS:

(1) AT A DIFFERENT TIME, DATE, OR LOCATION; OR

(2) ON THE SAME DATE AND LOCATION AT A DIFFERENT TIME.

(C) THE BOARD MAY NOT ISSUE A PUBLIC CEASE AND DESIST ORDER TO A FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT THAT WAS PREVIOUSLY LICENSED BY THE BOARD.”