

SENATE SUBSTITUTE FOR
HOUSE BILL NO. 4303

A bill to amend 1980 PA 299, entitled
"Occupational code,"
(MCL 339.101 to 339.2919) by adding section 1806a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 SEC. 1806A. (1) THE DEPARTMENT MAY ISSUE A COURTESY LICENSE TO
2 ENGAGE IN THE PRACTICE OF MORTUARY SCIENCE TO AN INDIVIDUAL IF THE
3 DEPARTMENT DETERMINES THAT ALL OF THE FOLLOWING ARE MET:

4 (A) THE INDIVIDUAL HOLDS A VALID LICENSE TO PRACTICE MORTUARY
5 SCIENCE, FUNERAL DIRECTING, OR ANOTHER OCCUPATION THAT IS THE
6 EQUIVALENT OF THE PRACTICE OF MORTUARY SCIENCE OR FUNERAL
7 DIRECTING, ISSUED BY THE STATE OF INDIANA, OHIO, OR WISCONSIN.

8 (B) THE STATE THAT ISSUED THE LICENSE DESCRIBED IN SUBDIVISION
9 (A) BY LAW PROVIDES INDIVIDUALS LICENSED UNDER THIS ARTICLE

1 SUBSTANTIALLY THE SAME OPPORTUNITY TO PRACTICE IN THAT STATE AS ITS
2 LICENSEES ARE AUTHORIZED TO PRACTICE IN THIS STATE UNDER THIS
3 SECTION.

4 (2) A COURTESY LICENSE IS VALID FOR 2 YEARS, BEGINNING ON THE
5 DATE IT IS ISSUED OR RENEWED.

6 (3) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HOLDS A COURTESY LICENSE MAY DO ANY OF
7 THE FOLLOWING:

8 (A) REMOVE A DEAD HUMAN BODY FROM THE PLACE OF DEATH IN THIS
9 STATE.

10 (B) REGISTER WITH A LOCAL REGISTRAR UNDER SECTION 1807.

11 (C) SUBJECT TO SECTION 1807, TRANSPORT A DEAD HUMAN BODY TO OR
12 FROM THE STATE IN WHICH HE OR SHE IS LICENSED.

13 (D) SUBJECT TO SECTION 1807, SUPERVISE THE FINAL DISPOSITION
14 IN THIS STATE OF THE HUMAN BODY OF AN INDIVIDUAL WHO DIED IN THE
15 STATE IN WHICH HE OR SHE IS LICENSED.

16 (4) AN INDIVIDUAL WHO HOLDS ONLY A COURTESY LICENSE SHALL NOT
17 DO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING IN THIS STATE:

18 (A) OPERATE A FUNERAL ESTABLISHMENT.

19 (B) ENGAGE IN THE PRACTICE OF EMBALMING.

20 (C) ADVERTISE MORTUARY SCIENCE, FUNERAL DIRECTING, OR
21 CREMATION SERVICES.

22 (D) DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY OWN, MANAGE, OPERATE, MAINTAIN, OR
23 BE EMPLOYED BY A CEMETERY OR CREMATORY OR ENGAGE IN ANY SIMILAR
24 ACTIVITY FOR WHICH REGISTRATION IS REQUIRED UNDER THE CEMETERY
25 REGULATION ACT, 1968 PA 251, MCL 456.521 TO 456.543.

26 (E) VIOLATE SECTION 1810.

27 (5) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ENSURE THAT A COURTESY LICENSE IS

1 ISSUED WITH THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED IN THIS SECTION.

2 (6) AS USED IN THIS SECTION, "COURTESY LICENSE" MEANS A
3 LICENSE ISSUED UNDER THIS ARTICLE TO AN INDIVIDUAL DESCRIBED IN
4 SUBSECTION (1) THAT IS SUBJECT TO THE RESTRICTIONS DESCRIBED IN
5 THIS SECTION.

6 Enacting section 1. This amendatory act takes effect upon the
7 expiration of 90 days after the date it is enacted into law.