CHAPTER 52.

FUNERAL DIRECTORS AND EMBALMERS—LICENSES.

AN ACT relating to the licensing of funeral directors and embalmers; and amending section 1, chapter 126, Laws of 1949 and RCW 18.39.030 and 18.39.080.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Washington:

Division and amendment.

Section 1. Section 1, chapter 126, Laws of 1949, (heretofore codified as RCW 18.39.030 and 18.39.080) is divided and amended as set forth in sections 2 and 3 of this act.

Qualifications.

SEC. 2. (RCW 18.39.030) An applicant for a license as a funeral director must be at least twenty-one years of age, and of good moral character and must have completed a course of not less than two years in an accredited college. The application must specify a fixed address at which the applicant proposes to engage, or conduct a place of business, as a funeral director: *Provided*, That the requirement that an applicant must have completed a course of not less than two years in an accredited college shall not apply to anyone who was a licensed embalmer, or who was registered as an apprentice embalmer or as an apprentice director, or who was attending an embalming college prior to June 11, 1947.

Exceptions.

Enacted without amendment.

SEC. 3. (RCW 18.39.080) Each applicant for a funeral director's license must pass an examination in the following subjects: Funeral directing, the signs of death, the manner in which death may be determined, the preparation, burial, disposal and transportation of dead human bodies, and the shipment of bodies of persons dying of contagious or infectious diseases.

Passed the House February 11, 1955. Passed the Senate February 18, 1955. Approved by the Governor February 25, 1955.