STATE BOARD OF UNDERTAKERS LAW Act of Jun. 7, 1895, P.L. 167, No. 107 AN ACT

To provide for the better protection of life and health by diminishing the danger from infectious and contagious diseases through the creation of a State Board of Undertakers in the cities of the first, second and third classes, with systematic examinations, registration and licenses for all entering the business of burying the dead, and penalties for violation of the provisions thereof.

Section 1. Appointment, qualifications and terms of members; vacancies

The Governor, by and with the advice and consent of the Senate, shall, as soon as practicable after the passage of this act, appoint five persons who shall be practicing undertakers, and such appointees shall constitute a State Board of Undertakers; one of the persons so appointed shall hold office for one year, one for two years, one for three years, et cetera, unless sooner removed; appointments to fill vacancies caused by death, resignation or removal before the expiration of terms shall be made for the residue of such terms by the Governor, subject to the consent of the Senate; and all appointments to fill vacancies caused by expirations of terms shall be made in the same manner, and shall be for a period of three years each. 1895, June 7, P.L. 167, Sec. 1.

Section 2. Oath of office and officers

The members of said board, before entering upon their duties, shall respectively take and subscribe the oath required by other State officers, which shall be filed in the office of the Secretary of the Commonwealth, who is hereby authorized to administer the same. They shall have power to elect out of their own number a president, and adopt such regulations for the transaction of the business of the board and the management of its affairs as they may deem expedient. 1895, June 7, P.L. 167, Sec. 2.

Section 4. Meetings of board

Said board shall meet at least once every year, and may also hold special meetings as frequently as the proper and efficient discharge of its duties shall require, at a time and place to be fixed by the rules and by-laws of the board, and the rules and by-laws of the board shall provide for the giving of timely notice of all meetings to every member of the board. A majority of the members shall, at any meeting, organize and constitute a quorum for the transaction of business. 1895, June 7, P.L. 167, Sec. 4.

Section 10. Annual report

It shall be the duty of said board on or before the first Monday of January of each and every year to make a report in writing to the Governor of this State, containing a detailed statement of the nature of the receipts and the manner of expenditures, and any balance of money remaining at the end of the year after the payment of the necessary expenses, including the salary of the secretary and the traveling and other necessary expenses of the members of the board incurred in the discharge of their duties as such shall be reserved by the treasurer of said board to meet the necessary expenses of ensuing years. 1895, june 7, P.L. 167, Sec. 10.