

Title 17. Professions, Occupations, and Businesses

Chapter VIII. State Board of Embalmers, Funeral Directors, Cemeteries, and Burial Services, State Insurance Department, Department of Commerce

Subchapter A. Generally

Part 32. Fee Waivers for Certain Individuals

Codification Notes. This part as promulgated prior to codification into the Code of Arkansas Rules provided as follows:

"Section 1. Authority

This Rule is promulgated pursuant to Section Four (4) of Act 725 of 2021 of the Arkansas General Assembly, codified at Ark. Code Ann. § 17-4-101 et seq.; authority is also found in Ark. Code Ann. § 23-61-1103(a)(5), Ark. Code Ann. § 25-15-204, and other applicable laws or rules."

"Section 5. Effective Date

This Rule is effective after review and approval by the Arkansas Legislative Council, ten (10) days after filing of the approved Rule with the Arkansas Secretary of State."

Subpart 1. Generally

17 CAR § 32-101. Purpose.

The purpose of this part is to waive the initial licensing fees for those individuals who are covered by the Workforce Expansion Act of 2021, Arkansas Code § 17-5-101 et seq., and who apply to the State Board of Embalmers, Funeral Directors, Cemeteries, and Burial Services for an individual license.

Authority. Arkansas Code §§ 17-5-105, 23-61-1103.

17 CAR § 32-102. Definitions.

As used in this part, "initial licensing fee" means the following fees:

- (1) The application fee required for an apprentice embalmer;
- (2) The application fee required for an apprentice funeral director;
- (3) The application fee required for a licensed embalmer;
- (4) The application fee required for a licensed funeral director; and
- (5) The application fee required for a licensed crematory retort operator.

Authority. Arkansas Code §§ 17-5-105, 23-61-1103.

17 CAR § 32-103. Requirements.

The State Board of Embalmers, Funeral Directors, Cemeteries, and Burial Services shall waive the initial licensing fee if the applicant:

- (1) Is receiving assistance through the:
 - (A) Arkansas Medicaid Program;
 - (B) Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program;
 - (C) Special Supplemental Nutrition Program for Women, Infants, and Children;
 - (D) Temporary Assistance for Needy Families Program; or
 - (E) Lifeline Assistance Program;
- (2) Was approved for unemployment within the last twelve (12) months; or
- (3) Has an income that does not exceed two hundred percent (200%) of the federal poverty income guidelines.

Authority. Arkansas Code §§ 17-5-105, 23-61-1103.