



## 2007 SENATE BILL 229

July 12, 2007 - Introduced by Senators WIRCH and SCHULTZ, cosponsored by Representatives HAHN, VOS, ALBERS and SUDER. Referred to Committee on Small Business, Emergency Preparedness, Workforce Development, Technical Colleges and Consumer Protection.

1     **AN ACT** *to renumber and amend* 445.06; and *to create* 445.06 (2) (intro.) and  
2           (b) of the statutes; **relating to:** continuing education requirements for certain  
3           funeral directors.

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***Analysis by the Legislative Reference Bureau***

Under current law, a licensed funeral director must apply for a renewal license every two years. In order to obtain a renewal license, the funeral director must pay a fee and, with the exception of licensees that have not finished two years of licensure, submit to the Funeral Directors Examining Board proof of completion of 15 hours of continuing education. This bill exempts a person who has at least 40 years of experience as a licensed funeral director from the continuing education requirement.

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***The people of the state of Wisconsin, represented in senate and assembly, do enact as follows:***

4           **SECTION 1.** 445.06 of the statutes is renumbered 445.06 (1) and amended to  
5           read:  
6           445.06 (1) The renewal date and renewal fee for a funeral directors' license are  
7           specified under s. 440.08 (2) (a). Before any renewal license is delivered to any

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1 licensed funeral director, proof must be furnished by the applicant, to the satisfaction  
2 of the examining board, that the applicant is doing business at a recognized funeral  
3 establishment, except that if such applicant is not doing business at a recognized  
4 funeral establishment at the time of application for a license, the applicant shall be  
5 given a certificate, without additional cost, to the effect that the applicant is in good  
6 standing as a funeral director, and shall be entitled to a renewal license at any time  
7 during that license period, when located at a recognized funeral establishment,  
8 without payment of any additional renewal fee. ~~The Except as provided in sub. (2),~~  
9 ~~the applicant must also furnish proof of completion of at least 15 hours of continuing~~  
10 ~~education during the previous 2-year licensure period, except that new.~~

11 ~~(2) (a) New licensees are exempt from this requirement during the time~~  
12 ~~between initial licensure and commencement of a full 2-year licensure period.~~

13 **SECTION 2.** 445.06 (2) (intro.) and (b) of the statutes are created to read:

14 445.06 (2) (intro.) The examining board shall exempt all of the following from  
15 the continuing education requirements of sub. (1):

16 (b) An applicant for a renewal license who demonstrates to the satisfaction of  
17 the examining board that he or she has 40 or more years of experience as a licensed  
18 funeral director.

19 (END)