

OREGON MORTUARY & CEMETERY BOARD

LICENSEE ALERT: DEATH REGISTRATION FILING FEE INCREASE.

Please note that the death certificate filing fee identified in ORS 432.312 has increased from \$7 to \$20.

Both the Oregon Mortuary & Cemetery Board and the Department of Human Services are planning to begin collecting the new fee amount effective with registrations on or after **July 1st, 2009**, pending the close of the 2009 legislative session. Please make plans to adjust your fees and all relating documentation as of this date.

Of the twenty-dollar fee, \$14 supports the programs of the Oregon Mortuary and Cemetery Board and \$6 is allocated to the Indigent Disposition Fund. The fee has not been raised for 15+ years, and has long been insufficient to fund either use.

The Board would also like to thank the Oregon Funeral Directors Association and staff with the Department of Human Services for their collaboration on this topic. Please contact our office if you have any questions.

For updates on legislative actions that affect licensees, please visit our website at:

<http://www.oregon.gov/MortCem>

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About the Oregon Mortuary & Cemetery Board

The Oregon Mortuary and Cemetery Board (OMCB) is a regulatory and licensing board comprised of eleven members appointed by the Governor: two funeral service practitioners, one embalmer, three cemetery representatives, one crematory representative and four public members. The Board's mission is to protect public health, safety and welfare by fairly and efficiently performing its licensing, inspection and enforcement duties; by promoting professional behavior and standards in all facets of the Oregon death care industry; and, by maintaining constructive relationships with licensees, those they serve and others with an interest in the Board's activities.