

been recorded within the time limit specified in Section 17 (a) and 18 of this sub-title.

(2) *Judicial Appeal*

(i) *If a delayed certificate of birth is rejected under the regulations adopted pursuant to Section 17 (b) (1), a petition may be filed with a court of competent jurisdiction for an order establishing a record of the date and place of birth and the parentage of the person whose birth is to be registered.*

(ii) *If the court from the evidence presented finds that the person for whom a delayed certificate of birth is sought was born in this State, it shall make findings as to the place and date of birth, parentage, and such other findings as the case may require and shall issue an order to the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish a record of birth. This order shall include the birth data to be registered, and the date of the court's action.*

(iii) *The clerks of the several equity courts shall forward each such order to the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene not later than the tenth day of the calendar month following the month in which it was entered.*

18. *Foundling Registration, Infants of Unknown Parentage*

(a) *Whoever assumes the custody of a living infant of unknown parentage shall report on a form and in the manner prescribed by the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene within seventy-two (72) hours to the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene the following information:*

(1) *The date and place of finding.*

(2) *Sex, color or race, and the approximate date of birth of the child, to be determined by a physician.*

(3) *Name and address of the persons or institution with whom the child has been placed for care.*

(4) *Name given to the child by the custodian; and*

(5) *Other data required by the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene.*

(b) *The place where the child was found shall be entered as the place of birth.*

(c) *A report filed under this section shall constitute the certificate of birth for the infant.*

(d) *If the child is identified and a certificate of birth is found or obtained, any report filed under this section shall be sealed and filed and may be opened only by order of a ~~circuit~~ court OF COMPETENT JURISDICTION or on written order of an authorized representative of the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene or as provided by regulation of the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene.*

19. (a) *Correction and Amendment of Vital Records*

(1) *A certificate or record registered under this sub-title, may be amended only in accordance with this sub-title and any regulations*