

cant for proper purposes] *properly authorized person* a certified copy or an abridged copy of [any] a birth or death certificate registered under the provisions of this sub-title or of the record of a marriage received pursuant to the provisions of Section 18 of Article 62 of this Code. The Commissioner of Health of Baltimore City [may] *shall upon request* furnish any [applicant for proper purposes] *properly authorized person* a certified copy or an abridged copy of [any] a birth or death [record] certificate registered by him [under authority of the State Board of Health as provided in] *according to the provisions of Section 14 (b) (3) of this [article] sub-title.*

(b) *A certified copy of a birth certificate shall be issued only upon order of a court of competent jurisdiction or upon the specific request therefor by the person, or by a parent, guardian, or other authorized representative of the person to whom the record of birth relates. A certified copy of a birth certificate shall contain only the personal data appearing on the birth certificate and shall not include any of the confidential medical data on the certificate of birth.*

(c) *No birth certificate information shall be given where it is to be used for purposes of commercial solicitation or private gain.*

(d) *The National Vital Statistics Division of the Public Health Service may be furnished such copies or data as it may require for national statistics; on the condition such data shall not be used for other than statistical purposes by the National Vital Statistics Division unless so authorized by the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene or its authorized representative.*

(e) *Federal, State, local, and other public or private agencies may, upon request, be furnished copies or data for statistical purposes upon such terms or conditions as may be prescribed by the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene or its authorized representative.*

[(b) Fee.—] (f) *For each certified [statement] or abridged copy of a birth, death, fetal death, or marriage certificate, or for a report that, after search, the requested record was found to be not on file, [said Board] the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene shall collect a fee of one dollar (\$1.00), to be paid to the State Treasurer.*

[(c) No charges to servicemen or governmental agencies.—] (g) *No charge shall be made for a copy of a certificate requested by any person formerly or currently in [any war service] the Armed Forces of the United States Government when such certificate is to be used in connection with any claim such person may have against said government; nor shall any charge be made for a certificate requested by any agency of the State of Maryland or any of its political subdivisions. [, provided that] The State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene [shall be authorized to] may waive all or part of said fees when collectible from agencies of the United States Government.*

(h) *The State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene is authorized to approve specific projects for typewritten, photographic, or other reproductions of original vital records, of carbon copies of these records, and of indexes of these records. Such projects shall specify the method of reproduction, the disposition or the location of the depository of the records which were reproduced, and the type of records and period covered. Such reproductions of original vital*