

by the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene to register or certify the facts pertaining to a birth, death, fetal death or marriage, upon conviction, shall be fined not more than five hundred dollars (\$500) or be imprisoned not exceeding one year or shall be both fined and imprisoned.

[(c) Unlawful communication of information.—] *(e) Any employee or appointee of the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene or other person having access to the birth, death and [stillbirth] fetal death certificates, who wilfully shall communicate to any person not authorized to receive the same, any of the facts recorded on any birth, death or [stillbirth] fetal death certificate, upon conviction, shall be fined not [less than \$50 nor] more than two hundred dollars (\$200) for each offense.*

[(d) Transportation and disposition of dead body without permit.—] *(f) Any person who wilfully transports or accepts for transportation, interment, dissection or other disposition, [of] a dead body without [an accompanying] a burial-transit permit issued in accordance with the provisions of this sub-title, upon conviction, shall be fined not [less than \$50 nor] more than two hundred dollars (\$200) for each offense.*

[(e) General penalty.—] *(g) Except where a different penalty is provided in this section, any person who wilfully violates any of the provisions of this sub-title or neglects to perform any of the duties imposed upon him under this sub-title, or who violates any of the rules and regulations of the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene as authorized under this sub-title, upon conviction, shall be fined not [less than \$10 nor] more than one hundred dollars (\$100) for each offense.*

[(f) Duty and authority of State Board to enforce.—] *(h) The State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene is hereby charged with the thorough and efficient execution of the provisions of this sub-title in every part of the State [, and with supervisory power over local registrars,] to the end that all its requirements shall be uniformly [complied with] observed. The State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene shall have authority to investigate cases of irregularity or violation of law, and all registrars shall upon request aid it in such investigations. When the Board shall deem it necessary, it shall report cases of violation of any of the provisions of this sub-title to the [prosecuting] State's Attorney of the county with the statement of the facts and circumstances and when any such case is reported to him by the State Board of Health and Mental Hygiene the [prosecuting] State's Attorney shall forthwith initiate and promptly follow up the necessary court proceedings against the person or corporation responsible for the alleged violation of the law.*

[(g) Removal of local registrars for neglect of duties.—] *Should any county registrar, local registrar, or deputy local registrar refuse, neglect or fail properly to execute his duties, as provided by this sub-title, the State Board of Health may require him to vacate his office and make a new appointment to fill the vacancy so created.]*

28A. Severability

If any provision of this sub-title or the application thereof to any person or circumstances is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect other provisions or applications of the sub-title which can be