The word "official", which formerly modified "records", is deleted as unnecessary.

The only other changes are in style.

Defined terms: "Birth" § 4-201
"Department" § 1-101 "Secretary" § 1-101
"Fetal death" § 4-201

(K) VITAL RECORD.

"VITAL RECORD" MEANS A RECORD OF BIRTH, DEATH, FETAL DEATH, MARRIAGE, DIVORCE, ADOPTION, OR ADJUDICATION OF PATERNITY THAT IS REQUIRED BY LAW TO BE FILED WITH THE SECRETARY.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This subsection formerly appeared as Article 43, § 14(a)(1).

The term "filed" is substituted for "registered" since filing is required by law. See subsections (f) and (j) of this section, which define, respectively, "file" and "registration".

The only other changes are in style.

Defined terms: "Birth" § 4-201
"Fetal death" § 4-201 "Secretary" § 1-101
"File" § 4-201

REVISOR'S NOTE TO SECTION: Former Article 43, § 14(a)(8), which defined "physician", is deleted as unnecessary in light of the definition of that term in § 1-101 of this article.

4-202. REGISTRARS OF VITAL RECORDS.

(A) STATE REGISTRAR.

THE SECRETARY SHALL APPOINT A STATE REGISTRAR OF VITAL RECORDS, WHO SHALL BE IN THE CLASSIFIED SERVICE UNDER THE STATE MERIT SYSTEM LAW.

(B) LOCAL REGISTRARS.

THE HEALTH OFFICER FOR A COUNTY IS THE REGISTRAR OF VITAL RECORDS FOR THE COUNTY.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section is new language derived without substantive change from the first, third, and fourth sentences of former Article 43, § 15.

The second sentence of former Article 43, § 15, which provided that the Baltimore City Commissioner of Health is registrar for Baltimore