In subsection (a) of this section, the former phrase "for the purpose of ensuring against loss or destruction of the records maintained in the several courts" is deleted as unnecessary.

The former reference to "providing certified copies of records for marriages performed after June 1, 1951" is deleted as unnecessary in light of § 4-217 of this subtitle.

Defined terms: "File" § 4-201
"Department" § 1-101 "Secretary" § 1-101

4-207. PREPARATION OF BIRTH, DEATH, AND FETAL DEATH CERTIFICATES.

(A) IN GENERAL.

EACH CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH, DEATH, OR FETAL DEATH SHALL BE:

- (1) TYPED OR WRITTEN PLAINLY IN INDELIBLE INK;
- (2) SIGNED BY THE INDIVIDUAL WHO IS REQUIRED TO MAKE THE RECORD.

(B) OMISSIONS.

A CERTIFICATE IS NOT COMPLETE OR CORRECT IF IT DOES NOT GIVE EACH ITEM OF REQUIRED INFORMATION TO THE EXTENT THE INFORMATION IS OBTAINABLE.

REVISOR'S NOTE: This section formerly appeared as Article 43, § 16(b).

The only changes are in style.

Defined terms: "Birth" § 4-201 "Fetal death" § 4-201

4-208. BIRTH REGISTRATION.

(A) BIRTH IN INSTITUTION.

- (1) WITHIN 72 HOURS AFTER A BIRTH OCCURS IN AN INSTITUTION, THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEAD OF THE INSTITUTION OR A DESIGNEE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE HEAD SHALL:
- (I) PREPARE, ON THE FORM THAT THE SECRETARY PROVIDES, A CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH;
- (II) SECURE EACH SIGNATURE THAT IS REQUIRED ON THE CERTIFICATE; AND