

CHAPTER 320

(House Bill 1246)

AN ACT concerning

Vital Records

FOR the purpose of altering certain definitions pertaining to certain vital records; altering certain disclosure provisions concerning certain vital records; and generally relating to vital records.

BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,

Article - State Government

Section 9-1015

Annotated Code of Maryland

(1993 Replacement Volume and 1995 Supplement)

SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND, That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

Article - State Government

9-1015.

(a) (1) In this section the following words have the meanings indicated[:].

(2) "CERTIFIED OR ABRIDGED COPY" MEANS A COPY OF A RESTRICTED VITAL RECORD THAT CONTAINS ONLY THE PERSONAL INFORMATION THAT APPEARS ON THE CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH AND DOES NOT INCLUDE ANY CONFIDENTIAL MEDICAL INFORMATION APPEARING ON THE CERTIFICATE.

[(1)](3) "Department" means the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene.

[(2)](4) "Extract" means the following information from a [recent] RESTRICTED vital record:

- (i) full names;
- (ii) BIRTHPLACES, [occupations] OF PARENTS; AND
- (iii) [places of residence;
- (iv)] date and place of birth[, marriage, divorce] or death
- [(v)] family relationships as stated in the record; and
- (vi) name and relationship of the informant].

(5) "FILE" MEANS TO PRESENT FOR REGISTRATION AT THE DEPARTMENT ANY CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH, DEATH, ADOPTION, MARRIAGE, DIVORCE, OR ANNULMENT.