

CHAPTER 136

(House Bill 272)

AN ACT concerning

Vital Statistics - Certificate of Birth Resulting in Stillbirth

FOR the purpose of requiring the Secretary of Health and Mental Hygiene to establish procedures for the issuance of a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth for each fetal death occurring after a certain gestation period; requiring the Secretary to collect, index, and safeguard from certain damage each certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth; requiring certain format and filing requirements for each certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth; requiring the Secretary to adopt certain regulations; requiring the Secretary to provide a copy of a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth upon request and to collect a certain fee for a copy of a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth; providing for certain prohibited acts related to a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth; defining certain terms; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to offer make available a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth to certain parents; requiring the Department to establish procedures for the issuance of a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth upon the request of certain parents who had a stillborn child prior to the effective date of this Act; requiring the Department to implement certain procedures by a certain date; requiring the Department to make a certain report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date; and generally relating to a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth.

~~BY repealing and reenacting, without amendments,~~

~~Article Health General
Section 4-201(a) and (c), 4-203, and 4-213(a) and (b)
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2000 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)~~

~~BY repealing and reenacting, with amendments,~~

~~Article Health General
Section 4-201(f), (m), (n), and (o), 4-204, 4-207, 4-217(a)(1) and (c)(1), and
4-226
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2000 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)~~

BY adding to

Article - Health - General
Section 4-213.1 and 4-213.2
Annotated Code of Maryland
(2000 Replacement Volume and 2002 Supplement)