

HOUSE BILL No. 2968

By Committee on Judiciary

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AN ACT concerning vital statistics; relating to the department of health and environment; concerning fees for obtaining birth certificates; amending K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 65-2418 and repealing the existing section; also repealing K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 65-2418a.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 65-2418 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-2418. (a) Except as otherwise provided in this section, the secretary shall fix and charge the fees, if any, to be paid for certified copies of certificates or for search of the files or records when no certified copy is made. Fees for certified copies of certificates shall be fixed by rules and regulations of the secretary except that the fee for the first copy of a birth or death certificate shall include a \$3 surcharge and the fee for each additional copy of the same birth or death certificate requested at the same time shall include a \$1 surcharge. The secretary shall not charge any fee for a certified copy of a certificate or for a search of the files or records if the certificate or search is requested by a person who exhibits correspondence from the United States veterans administration or the Kansas commission on veterans' affairs which indicates that the person is applying for benefits from the United States veterans administration and that such person needs the requested information to obtain such benefits, except that, for a second or subsequent certified copy of a certificate or search of the files requested by the person, the usual fee shall be charged. The secretary may provide by rules and regulations for exemptions from such fees.

(b) Subject to K.S.A. 65-2420, and amendments thereto, the national office of vital statistics may be furnished copies or data it requires for national statistics. The state shall be reimbursed for the cost of furnishing the data. The data shall not be used for other than statistical purposes by the national office of vital statistics unless so authorized by the state registrar of vital statistics.

(c) (1) The secretary shall remit all moneys received by or for the secretary from fees, charges or penalties to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, other than remittances for fees

1 for birth certificates, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount
2 in the state treasury to the credit of the state general fund.

3 (2) Upon receipt of any such remittance of a fee for a birth certificate,
4 ~~the~~ \$4 of each such fee for the first copy of a birth certificate and ~~the~~ \$2
5 of each such fee for each additional copy of the same birth certificate
6 requested at the same time shall be remitted to the state treasurer in
7 accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments
8 thereto. Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall
9 deposit the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the per-
10 manent families account of the family and children investment fund cre-
11 ated by K.S.A. 38-1808, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of any
12 such remittance of a fee for a death certificate, \$3 of each such fee for
13 the first copy of a death certificate and \$1 of each such fee for each
14 additional copy of the same death certificate requested at the same time
15 shall be remitted to the state treasurer in accordance with the provisions
16 of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto. Upon receipt of each such
17 remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit the entire amount in the state
18 treasury to the credit of the district coroners fund created by K.S.A. 22a-
19 245, and amendments thereto. The balance of the money received for a
20 fee for a birth certificate shall be remitted to the state treasurer in ac-
21 cordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 75-4215, and amendments thereto.
22 Upon receipt of each such remittance, the state treasurer shall deposit
23 the entire amount in the state treasury to the credit of the state general
24 fund.

25 (d) *Upon receipt of any fee for a certified copy of a birth, death, fetal*
26 *death, marriage or divorce certificate, \$1 of each such fee shall be remitted*
27 *to the state treasurer who shall deposit the entire amount of each such*
28 *remittance in the state treasury and credit it to the vital statistics main-*
29 *tenance fee fund created by K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 65-2418b, and amend-*
30 *ments thereto. For the purposes of the vital statistics maintenance fee*
31 *fund, the secretary of health and environment shall adopt rules and reg-*
32 *ulations providing for an increase of \$1 in the fees charged by the state*
33 *registrar for providing a certified copy of a birth, death, fetal death, mar-*
34 *riage or divorce certificate.*

35 (e) *The secretary of health and environment shall adopt rules and*
36 *regulations providing for an increase of \$1 in the fees charged by the state*
37 *registrar for providing a certified copy of a birth, death, fetal death, mar-*
38 *riage or divorce certificate.*

39 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 2001 Supp. 65-2418 and 65-2418a are hereby
40 repealed.

41 Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its
42 publication in the statute book.

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