

2 SHB 2056 - S COMM AMD

3 By Committee on Health & Long-Term Care

4 ADOPTED 4/19/91 - Voice Vote

5 Strike everything after the enacting clause and insert the
6 following:

7 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 1. (1) To promote and maintain nation-wide
8 uniformity in the system of vital statistics, the certificates required
9 by this chapter or by the rules adopted under this chapter shall
10 include, as a minimum, the items recommended by the federal agency
11 responsible for national vital statistics.

12 (2) The state board of health by rule may require additional
13 pertinent information relative to the birth and manner of delivery as
14 it may deem necessary for statistical study. This information shall be
15 placed in a confidential section of the birth certificate form and
16 shall not be subject to the view of the public or for certification
17 purposes except upon order of the court. The state board of health may
18 eliminate from the forms items that it determines are not necessary for
19 statistical study.

20 (3) Each certificate or other document required by this chapter
21 shall be on a form or in a format prescribed by the state registrar.

22 (4) All vital records shall contain the data required for
23 registration. No certificate may be held to be complete and correct
24 that does not supply all items of information called for or that does
25 not satisfactorily account for the omission of required items.

26 (5) Information required in certificates or documents authorized by
27 this chapter may be filed and registered by photographic, electronic,
28 or other means as prescribed by the state registrar."

1 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 2. The department is authorized to
2 prescribe by rule the schedule and system for electronic and hard copy
3 transmission of certificates and documents required by this chapter."

4 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 3. The department, in mutual agreement with
5 a local health officer as defined in RCW 70.05.010, may authorize a
6 local registrar to access the state-wide birth data base or death data
7 base and to issue a certified copy of birth or death certificates from
8 the respective state-wide electronic data bases. In such cases, the
9 department may bill local registrars for only direct line charges
10 associated with accessing birth and death data bases."

11 **"Sec. 4.** RCW 70.58.104 and 1987 c 223 s 2 are each amended to read
12 as follows:

13 (1) The state registrar may prepare typewritten, photographic,
14 electronic, or other reproductions of records of birth, death, fetal
15 death, marriage, or decrees of divorce, annulment, or legal separation
16 registered under law or that portion of the record of any birth which
17 shows the child's full name, sex, date of birth, and date of filing of
18 the certificate. Such reproductions, when certified by the state
19 registrar, shall be considered for all purposes the same as the
20 original and shall be prima facie evidence of the facts stated therein.

21 (2) The department may authorize by regulation the disclosure of
22 information contained in vital records for research purposes. All
23 research proposals must be submitted to the department and must be
24 reviewed and approved as to scientific merit and to ensure that
25 confidentiality safeguards are provided in accordance with department
26 policy.

27 (3) Local registrars may, upon request, furnish certified copies of
28 the records of birth, death, and fetal death, subject to all provisions

1 of state law applicable to the state registrar. (~~Local registrars in~~
2 ~~health districts or departments that have within their jurisdiction~~
3 ~~cities of the first class may issue certified copies only if they have~~
4 ~~an original certificate in their possession at the time of issuance of~~
5 ~~a certified copy or have a copy of the original certificate transmitted~~
6 ~~to the state registrar which was produced by a photographic or other~~
7 ~~exact reproduction method. Local registrars of all counties or~~
8 ~~districts may, upon request, furnish certified copies of the records of~~
9 ~~birth, death, and fetal death during the period that the original~~
10 ~~certificates are in their possession prior to transmittal of the~~
11 ~~original certificates to the state registrar. Certified copy forms~~
12 ~~used by local registrars furnishing certified copies while the original~~
13 ~~records are in their possession shall be supplied or approved by the~~
14 ~~state registrar and no other forms shall be used.))"~~

15 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 5. Sections 1 through 3 of this act are
16 each added to chapter 70.58 RCW."

17 "NEW SECTION. Sec. 6. RCW 70.58.200 and 1979 ex.s. c 162 s 2,
18 1975-'76 2nd ex.s. c 42 s 39, 1969 ex.s. c 279 s 2, 1967 c 26 s 10,
19 1961 ex.s. c 5 s 15, & 1945 c 159 s 6 are each repealed."

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23 On page 1, line 1 of the title, after "statistics;" strike the
24 remainder of the title and insert "amending RCW 70.58.104; adding new
25 sections to chapter 70.58 RCW; and repealing RCW 70.58.200." 2056-S AAS
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