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HOUSE BILL 96

53RD LEGISLATURE - STATE OF NEW MEXICO - SECOND SESSION, 2018

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AN ACT

RELATING TO VITAL RECORDS; INCREASING FEES FOR SEARCHES AND
COPIES OF VITAL RECORDS; CHANGING THE DISTRIBUTION OF FEES;
CREATING A FUND; MAKING AN APPROPRIATION.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF NEW MEXICO:

SECTION 1. Section 24-14-29 NMSA 1978 (being Laws 1961,
Chapter 44, Section 27, as amended) is amended to read:

"24-14-29. FEES FOR COPIES AND SEARCHES.--

A. The fee for each search of a vital record to
produce a certified copy of a birth certificate shall be ~~ten~~
~~dollars (\$10.00)]~~ fifteen dollars (\$15.00) and shall include
one certified copy of the record, if available. The fee for
each additional certified copy of the record shall be fifteen
dollars (\$15.00).

B. The fee for the establishment of a delayed

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1 record or for the revision or amendment of a vital record, as a
2 result of an adoption, a legitimation, a correction or other
3 court-ordered change to a vital record, shall be [~~ten dollars~~
4 ~~(\$10.00)~~] fifteen dollars (\$15.00). The fee shall include one
5 certified copy of the delayed record. The fee for each
6 additional certified copy of the record shall be fifteen
7 dollars (\$15.00).

8 C. The fee for each search of a vital record to
9 produce a copy of a report of spontaneous fetal death or a
10 certificate of still birth shall be [~~five dollars (\$5.00)~~] ten
11 dollars (\$10.00) and shall include one certified copy of the
12 record of fetal death, if available. The fee for each
13 additional certified copy of the record shall be ten dollars
14 (\$10.00).

15 D. The fee for each search of a vital record to
16 produce a certified copy of a death certificate shall be [~~five~~
17 ~~dollars (\$5.00)~~] ten dollars (\$10.00) and shall include one
18 certified copy of the record, if available. The fee for each
19 additional certified copy of the record shall be ten dollars
20 (\$10.00).

21 E. Revenue from the fees imposed in this section
22 shall be distributed as follows:

23 (1) an amount equal to [~~three-fifths~~] thirty
24 percent of the revenue from the [~~fee~~] fees imposed by
25 [~~Subsection A~~] Subsections A through D of this section [~~an~~

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1 ~~amount equal to one-half of the revenue from the fee imposed by~~
2 ~~Subsection B of this section and an amount equal to one-fifth~~
3 ~~of the revenue from the fee imposed by Subsection D of this~~
4 ~~section]~~ shall be distributed to the day-care fund; and

5 (2) the remainder of the revenue from the fees
6 imposed by Subsections A [~~B, C and~~] through D of this section
7 shall be deposited in the [~~state general~~] vital records fund."

8 SECTION 2. A new section of the Vital Statistics Act is
9 enacted to read:

10 "[NEW MATERIAL] VITAL RECORDS FUND CREATED.--The "vital
11 records fund" is created in the state treasury. The fund shall
12 consist of revenue from the fees imposed pursuant to Section
13 24-14-29 NMSA 1978. Any interest accruing to the fund shall
14 remain in the fund. The department shall administer the fund,
15 and money in the fund is appropriated to the department to
16 support the operation, modernization and automation of the
17 bureau. Any unexpended or unencumbered balance remaining at
18 the end of a fiscal year shall not revert. Disbursements from
19 the fund shall be made upon warrants drawn by the secretary of
20 finance and administration pursuant to vouchers signed by the
21 secretary of health."