
A BILL FOR AN ACT

RELATING TO VITAL RECORDS FEES.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF HAWAII:

1 SECTION 1. Chapter 338, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
2 amended by adding to part I, a new section to be appropriately
3 designated and to read as follows:

4 **"§338- Fees for expedited copies or special services.**

5 The department of health shall collect a fee of \$ for
6 expedited certified copy service for birth, death, and marriage
7 records that are already registered and accepted by the
8 department. The department of health shall keep an account of
9 all fees collected and shall deposit the funds collected into
10 the vital statistics improvement special fund."

11 SECTION 2. Section 338-14, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
12 amended to read as follows:

13 **"§338-14 Fees for certified copies and searches;**
14 **transcripts or other statistical summaries of vital records for**
15 **National Center for Health Statistics; certified copies for**
16 **veterans and others; and corrections on vital statistics**
17 **certificates. (a) The department of health [~~shall establish~~**
18 **~~reasonable fees to be paid for certified copies of certificates;~~**



1 ~~provided that the department]~~ shall furnish, free of charge, a
2 certified copy of any of the records, or a certification of
3 birth, to any veteran of the armed forces of the United States,
4 the veteran's wife, any member of the immediate family of a
5 veteran or the next of kin of a deceased veteran, when required
6 for use in connection with a claim based on service in the armed
7 forces of the United States. Subject to sections 338-16, 338-
8 17, and 338-18, the National Center for Health Statistics may
9 obtain transcripts and statistical summaries on computer tapes
10 of certificates or, without payment of fees, certified copies;
11 provided the State is put to no expense in connection therewith.

12 A ~~reasonable~~ fee of \$ ___ shall be charged for any
13 correction in the items on a vital statistics certificate
14 initiated by the registrant or the registrant's parent or
15 representative if the registrant is a minor.

16 (b) The department of health ~~[may prescribe reasonable~~
17 ~~fees]~~ shall charge a fee of \$ ___ for searches of files and
18 records not involving the issuance of certified copies.

19 (c) The department of health shall keep an account of all
20 fees collected and shall deposit them to the ~~[general fund of~~
21 ~~the State]~~ vital statistics improvement special fund, except as



1 provided in sections 321-1.3, 338-14.5, [~~338-14.6,~~]346-7.5, and
2 601-3.6.

3 (d) [~~Any fee established by the department pursuant to
4 this section shall be adopted in accordance with chapter 91. In
5 establishing a fee, the amount shall be sufficient to cover the
6 expenses involved in searching for, cost of a copy of, or
7 correction of the certificate, file, or record, as the case may
8 be. The department may raise the fees up to ten per cent per
9 year without being subject to the provisions of chapter 91.] The
10 fees shall be used to offset the administrative costs of
11 activities related to the registration, processing, and issuance
12 of vital records."~~

13 SECTION 3. Section 338-14.5, Hawaii Revised Statutes, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 "**§338-14.5 Copies of certificate; fees.** The fees for
16 certified copies of birth, marriage, divorce, or death
17 certificates issued by the department of health shall consist of
18 [~~\$10~~] \$__ for the first copy issued and [~~\$4~~] \$__ for each copy
19 issued thereafter. These fees shall be collected for each
20 single request for certified copies. All fees received for the
21 issuance of certified copies of birth, marriage, divorce, or
22 death certificates shall be remitted to the director of health.



1 Upon the receipt of remittances under this section, the director
2 of health shall deposit:

3 (1) \$1 for each certified copy to the credit of the spouse
4 and child abuse special account established under
5 section 346-7.5;

6 (2) \$1 for each certified copy to the credit of the spouse
7 and child abuse special account established under
8 section 601-3.6;

9 (3) \$1 for each certified copy to the credit of the
10 domestic violence and sexual assault special fund
11 established under section 321-1.3;

12 (4) [~~\$1~~] \$ for [~~each~~] the first certified copy to the
13 credit of the vital statistics improvement special
14 fund established under section 338-14.6; [~~and~~]

15 [~~The remainder of the fee for each certified copy to~~
16 ~~the credit of the state general fund.~~] \$ for each
17 subsequent certified copy to the credit of the vital
18 statistics improvement special fund established under
19 section 338-14.6; and

20 (6) \$ for the first certified copy to the credit of the
21 state general fund."



1 SECTION 4. There is appropriated out of the vital
2 statistics improvement special fund the sum of \$ or so
3 much thereof as may be necessary for fiscal year 2013-2014 to
4 offset administrative costs of activities related to the
5 registration, processing, and issuance of vital records.

6 The sum appropriated shall be expended by the department of
7 health for the purposes of this Act.

8 SECTION 5. Statutory material to be repealed is bracketed
9 and stricken. New statutory material is underscored.

10 SECTION 6. This Act shall take effect on July 1, 2050.



Report Title:

Health; Vital Records Fees

Description:

Changes the fee amounts associated with vital statistics certified copy and expedited and correction services. Effective July 1, 2050. (HB894 HD1)

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