

**FORTY-EIGHTH LEGISLATURE
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March 12, 2007

Mr. Speaker:

Your **APPROPRIATIONS AND FINANCE COMMITTEE**, to whom has been referred

SENATE BILL 17, AS AMENDED

has had it under consideration and reports same with recommendation that it **DO PASS**, amended as follows:

1. On page 1, lines 11 and 12, strike "REGISTRATION OF CERTIFICATES OF STILLBIRTH" and insert in lieu thereof "REGISTRATIONS OF FETAL DEATH".
2. On page 1, line 13, after "DEATHS;", insert "PROVIDING FOR CERTIFICATES OF BIRTH RESULTING IN STILLBIRTH;".
3. On page 1, line 19, strike "CERTIFICATES OF STILLBIRTH" and insert in lieu thereof "REGISTRATIONS OF FETAL DEATH".
4. On page 1, line 24, strike "a certificate of stillbirth" and insert in lieu thereof "fetal death".
5. On page 2, line 2, strike "certificate of stillbirth" and insert in lieu thereof "fetal death".
6. On page 2, line 2, strike "completed and".
7. On page 2, lines 5 and 6, strike "a certificate of stillbirth" and insert in lieu thereof "fetal death".
8. On page 2, line 9, strike "certificate of stillbirth" and insert in lieu thereof "fetal death and shall advise a parent of the stillborn fetus of the option to request a certificate of fetal death and a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth".
9. On page 2, line 11, strike "a certificate of stillbirth" and insert in lieu thereof "fetal death".
10. On page 2, line 15, strike "a certificate of stillbirth" and insert in lieu thereof "the fetal death".
11. On page 2, line 20, strike "a certificate of stillbirth" and insert in lieu thereof "fetal death".

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12. On page 2, line 25, through page 3, line 1, strike "a certificate of stillbirth" and insert in lieu thereof "fetal death".

13. On page 3, line 5, strike "a certificate of stillbirth" and insert in lieu thereof "a registration of fetal death".

14. On page 3, lines 7 and 8, strike "certificate of stillbirth" and insert in lieu thereof "registration of fetal death".

15. On page 3, line 13, strike the closing quotation mark.

16. On page 3, between lines 13 and 14, insert the following:

"G. The name of the stillborn fetus may be entered on the registration of fetal death upon the request of a parent.

H. A delayed registration of fetal death may be filed in accordance with Section 24-14-21 NMSA 1978; provided that the parent may present a copy of the report of spontaneous fetal death or other medical records as established by rule of the state registrar to substantiate the alleged facts of the spontaneous fetal death.

I. Upon the request of a parent of a stillborn fetus, the state registrar shall issue a certificate of fetal death without regard to the date on which a report of spontaneous fetal death was filed or when the fetal death was registered.

J. Registrations of fetal death pursuant to this section shall be kept on file as permanent records."

Section 2. A new section of Chapter 24, Article 14 NMSA 1978 is enacted to read:

"[NEW MATERIAL] CERTIFICATES OF BIRTH RESULTING IN STILLBIRTH.--

A. The state registrar shall establish a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth. A person required to prepare and register a fetal death shall offer the certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth to the parent or parents of a stillborn child. Upon the request of a parent of a stillborn child, a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth shall be completed and

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filed in accordance with Section 24-14-13 NMSA 1978.

B. A delayed registration of a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth may be filed in accordance with Section 24-14-15 NMSA 1978; provided that a parent of a stillborn child may present a copy of the report of spontaneous fetal death, the registration of fetal death, the certificate of fetal death or other medical records as established by rule of the state registrar to substantiate the alleged facts of the stillbirth.

C. Notwithstanding the provisions of Subsection A of this section and upon the request of a parent whose name is entered on a report of a spontaneous fetal death, a registration of fetal death or a certificate of fetal death, the state registrar shall issue a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth without regard to the date on which a report of a spontaneous fetal death was filed, when the fetal death was registered or when a certificate of fetal death was issued.

D. The name of the stillborn child may be entered on the certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth upon the request of a parent.

E. The state registrar shall not use a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth to calculate live birth statistics."".

17. Renumber the succeeding section accordingly.

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18. On page 4, line 3, strike "stillbirth" and insert in lieu thereof "fetal death or a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth"

Respectfully submitted,

Henry "Kiki" Saavedra, Chairman

Adopted _____
(Chief Clerk)

Not Adopted _____
(Chief Clerk)

Date _____

The roll call vote was 11 For 0 Against

Yes: 11

No: 0

Excused: Begaye, Bratton, Gutierrez, King, Moore, Saavedra, Varela

Absent: None

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