

AN ACT in relation to public health.

Be it enacted by the People of the State of Illinois,
represented in the General Assembly:

Section 5. The Vital Records Act is amended by changing
Section 25.5 as follows:

(410 ILCS 535/25.5)

Sec. 25.5. Death Certificate Surcharge Fund. The
additional \$2 fee for certified copies of death certificates
and fetal death certificates must be deposited into the Death
Certificate Surcharge Fund, a special fund created in the
State treasury. Beginning 30 days after the effective date
of this amendatory Act of the 92nd General Assembly and until
January 1, 2003 and then beginning again on July 1, 2003 and
until July 1, 2005, moneys in the Fund, subject to
appropriation, may be used by the Department for the purpose
of implementing an electronic reporting system for death
registrations as provided in Section 18.5 of this Act.
Before the effective date of this amendatory Act of the 92nd
General Assembly, and on and after January 1, 2003 and until
July 1, 2003, and on and after July 1, 2005, moneys in the
Fund, subject to appropriations, may be used as follows: (i)
25% by the Illinois Law Enforcement Training Standards Board
for the purpose of training coroners, deputy coroners,
forensic pathologists, and police officers for homicide
investigations, (ii) 25% for grants by the Department of
Public Health by the Illinois Necropsy Board for distribution
to all local county coroners and medical examiners or
officials charged with the duties set forth under Division
3-3 of the Counties Code, who have a different title, for
equipment and lab facilities ~~for local county coroners~~, (iii)
25% by the Department of Public Health for the purpose of

setting up a statewide database of death certificates and implementing an electronic reporting system for death registrations pursuant to Section 18.5, and (iv) 25% for a grant by the Department of Public Health to local registrars. (Source: P.A. 91-382, eff. 7-30-99; 92-16, eff. 6-28-01; 92-141, eff. 7-24-01.)

Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect on July 1, 2003.