

1 AN ACT in relation to public health.

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

4 Section 5. The Vital Records Act is amended by adding  
5 Section 20.5 as follows:

6 (410 ILCS 535/20.5 new)

7 Sec. 20.5. Certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth.

8 (a) The State Registrar shall prescribe and distribute a  
9 form for a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth. The  
10 certificate shall be in the same format as a certificate of  
11 live birth prepared under Section 12 and shall be filed in  
12 the same manner as a certificate of live birth.

13 (b) After each fetal death that occurs in this State  
14 after a gestation period of at least 20 completed weeks, the  
15 person who files a fetal death certificate in connection with  
16 that death as required under Section 20 shall also prepare a  
17 certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth with respect to  
18 the fetus. The person shall prepare the certificate on the  
19 form prescribed and furnished by the State Registrar and in  
20 accordance with the rules adopted by the State Registrar. The  
21 person shall file the certificate with the designated  
22 registrar within 7 days after the delivery and before removal  
23 of the fetus from the State, except as provided by regulation  
24 in special problem cases. The parent or parents of the  
25 stillborn child shall be offered a copy of the certificate of  
26 birth resulting in stillbirth.

27 (c) If the stillborn child's parent or parents do not  
28 wish to provide a name for the stillborn child, the person  
29 who prepares the certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth  
30 shall leave blank any references to the stillborn child's  
31 name.

1       (d) When a birth resulting in stillbirth occurring in  
2       this State has not been registered within one year after the  
3       delivery, a certificate marked "delayed" may be filed and  
4       registered in accordance with regulations adopted by the  
5       State Registrar. The certificate must show on its face the  
6       date of registration.

7       Section 99. Effective date. This Act takes effect upon  
8       becoming law.