

1 SB429  
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4 ENROLLED, An Act,

5 Relating to vital statistics, to authorize a parent  
6 listed on a report of fetal death to request a Certificate of  
7 Birth Resulting in Stillbirth from the State Registrar; to  
8 provide the procedures for the issuance of a Certificate of  
9 Birth Resulting in Stillbirth; and to provide rulemaking  
10 authority to the State Board of Health.

11 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF ALABAMA:

12 Section 1. (a) For the purposes of this section, the  
13 following words shall have the following meanings:

14 (1) CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH RESULTING IN STILLBIRTH. A  
15 certificate issued to record and memorialize the birth of a  
16 stillborn child.

17 (2) STILLBIRTH or STILLBORN. An unintended,  
18 intrauterine fetal death after a gestational age of not less  
19 than 20 completed weeks.

20 (b) Effective January 1, 2012, the State Registrar  
21 shall issue a Certificate of Birth Resulting in Stillbirth  
22 upon the request of a parent named on a report of fetal death  
23 filed on or after January 1, 2007. A Certificate of Birth  
24 Resulting in Stillbirth shall be issued within 60 days from  
25 the date of the request.

1           (c) The person who is required to file a report of  
2 fetal death under Section 22-9A-13, Code of Alabama 1975,  
3 shall advise the parent of a stillborn child:

4           (1) That a parent may, but is not required to,  
5 request the preparation of a Certificate of Birth Resulting in  
6 Stillbirth.

7           (2) That a parent may obtain a Certificate of Birth  
8 Resulting in Stillbirth by contacting the State Office of  
9 Vital Statistics after requesting the certificate and paying  
10 the required fee.

11           (3) How a parent may contact the Office of Vital  
12 Statistics to request a Certificate of Birth Resulting in  
13 Stillbirth.

14           (d) The State Board of Health may adopt rules to  
15 implement and administer this section. In addition to any  
16 other information required by the rules of the State Board of  
17 Health, the certificate shall include the following:

18           (1) The date of the stillbirth.

19           (2) The county in which the stillbirth occurred.

20           (3) The name of the stillborn child as provided in  
21 the report of fetal death. If a name was not provided at the  
22 time of the filing of the report of fetal death, the State  
23 Registrar, upon the request of a parent listed in the report  
24 of fetal death, shall add a name to the certificate when  
25 issued.

1                   (4) The file number of the corresponding report of  
2 fetal death.

3                   (5) The following statement: "This certificate is  
4 not proof of live birth."

5                   (e) The fee for the issuance of the Certificate of  
6 Birth Resulting in Stillbirth shall be the same as the fee  
7 collected for the issuance of a certified copy of any other  
8 vital record.

9                   Section 2. This act shall become effective on the  
10 first day of the third month following its passage and  
11 approval by the Governor, or its otherwise becoming law.

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President and Presiding Officer of the Senate

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Speaker of the House of Representatives

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I hereby certify that the within Act originated in and passed the Senate.

Patrick Harris  
Secretary

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House of Representatives  
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By: Senator Taylor