## THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF PENNSYLVANIA

## **HOUSE BILL**

No. 2136 Session of 2018

INTRODUCED BY ZIMMERMAN, ENGLISH, BAKER, WARD, CAUSER, MOUL, SCHLOSSBERG, HAHN, MACKENZIE, WHEELAND, BENNINGHOFF AND COX, MARCH 12, 2018

REFERRED TO COMMITTEE ON JUDICIARY, MARCH 12, 2018

## AN ACT

Amending the act of June 29, 1953 (P.L.304, No.66), entitled "An 1 act providing for the administration of a statewide system of 2 vital statistics; prescribing the functions of the State 3 Department of Health, the State Advisory Health Board and local registrars; imposing duties upon coroners, prothonotaries, clerks of orphans' court, physicians, midwives and other persons; requiring reports and 7 certificates for the registration of vital statistics; 8 regulating the disposition of dead bodies; limiting the disclosure of records; prescribing the sufficiency of vital 10 statistics records as evidence; prescribing fees and 11 penalties; and revising and consolidating the laws relating thereto," in records, further providing for records and fees 12 13 for copies. 14 15 The General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania 16 hereby enacts as follows: 17 Section 1. Section 807(c) of the act of June 29, 1953 (P.L.304, No.66), known as the Vital Statistics Law of 1953, is 18 19 amended to read: 20 Section 807. Records: Fees for Copies. -- \* \* \* 21 No fee shall be charged for certified copies of records 22 or parts thereof furnished to: (1) members of the armed forces of the United States and 23

- 1 their dependents during their term of active service and after
- 2 their death in service or honorable discharge therefrom[.]; or
- 3 (2) county coroners, if requested in connection with their
- 4 official duties regarding the interment of an unclaimed dead
- 5 body.
- 6 Section 2. This act shall take effect in 60 days.