

1 H.722

2 Introduced by Representatives McGill of Bridport, Arsenault of Williston,  
3 Berbeco of Winooski, Brumsted of Shelburne, Burrows of West  
4 Windsor, Casey of Montpelier, Chesnut-Tangerman of  
5 Middletown Springs, Christie of Hartford, Cina of Burlington,  
6 Cordes of Lincoln, Elder of Starksboro, Farlice-Rubio of  
7 Barnet, LaMont of Morristown, Logan of Burlington, McCann  
8 of Montpelier, Pajala of Londonderry, Priestley of Bradford,  
9 Rachelson of Burlington, Roberts of Halifax, and Templeman  
10 of Brownington

11 Referred to Committee on

12 Date:

13 Subject: Vital records; birth certificates; operator's licenses; fees; persons  
14 experiencing homelessness

15 Statement of purpose of bill as introduced: This bill proposes to allow  
16 individuals experiencing homelessness and any individuals 22 years of age or  
17 younger who were placed in foster care by a child-placing agency to acquire  
18 vital records, nondriver.

19 An act relating to the waiver of certain fees for vital records and other  
20 identification for persons experiencing homelessness

1 It is hereby enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Vermont:

2 Sec. 1. 18 V.S.A. § 5017 is amended to read:

3 § 5017. FEES FOR COPIES

4 (a) For a certified copy of a vital event certificate, the fee shall be \$10.00.

5 (b) The State Registrar shall waive the fee for a certified copy of a vital  
6 event certificate issued to a person experiencing homelessness or to any  
7 individual 24 years of age or younger who was placed in a foster home or  
8 residential child care facility by a child-placing agency.

9 Sec. 2. 23 V.S.A. § 115 is amended to read:

10 § 115. NONDRIVER IDENTIFICATION CARDS

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12 (n) Notwithstanding subsection (a) of this section, the two-year fee  
13 required to be paid the Commissioner for issuing a nondriver identification  
14 card to an individual who is experiencing homelessness and submits an  
15 affidavit of homeless status; or any individual under 22 years of age who was  
16 placed in a foster home or residential child care facility by a child-placing  
17 agency; shall be \$0.00.

18 Sec. 3. 23 V.S.A. § 608 is amended to read:

19 § 608. FEES

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1        (c) An individual who is experiencing homelessness and submits an  
2        affidavit of homeless status, or any individual under 22 years of age who was  
3        placed in a foster home or residential child care facility by a child-placing  
4        agency, shall be provided with an operator's privilege card or junior operator's  
5        privilege card for a fee of \$0.00.

6        Sec. 4. EFFECTIVE DATE

7        This act shall take effect on July 1, 2024.