

possessed in violation of this act, or to imprisonment for thirty days, or both, at the discretion of the court.

S. c. 11. Acts in conflict repealed. All acts or parts of acts heretofore passed inconsistent with or contrary to the provisions of this act are hereby repealed.

Approved April 5, A. D. 1906.

CHAPTER 109.

REGISTRATION OF BIRTHS AND DEATHS.

H. F. 88.

AN ACT to require and regulate the registration of births and deaths in the state of Iowa, and to repeal section two thousand five hundred sixty-six (2566) and two thousand five hundred sixty-seven (2567) of the code, and to repeal chapter one hundred (100) laws of the Thirtieth (30) General Assembly.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION. 1. State registrar of vital statistics. That for the complete and proper registration of births and deaths for legal, sanitary and statistical purposes, the secretary of the state board of health is hereby constituted state registrar of vital statistics, and it shall be his duty to promulgate and enforce all necessary rules and regulations that may be required to carry out the purpose of this act.

SEC. 2. Certificates of death. The undertaker or the person in charge of the funeral of any person dying in Iowa, shall cause a certificate of death to be filled out, with all the personal particulars contained in the standard blanks adopted by the U. S. census bureau, and with a statement of cause of death by attending physician, or in his absence, by the health officer or coroner and shall file it with the state registrar on or before the 5th day of each month for the month preceding and no sexton or superintendent of a cemetery shall permit interment, and no railroad or other transportation company shall permit shipment of the body unaccompanied by such certificate of death.

SEC. 3. State registrar to furnish blanks. The state registrar shall furnish blank certificates of death to physicians and undertakers, and all proper forms and instructions for the effectual execution of the law.

SEC. 4. Certified transcripts of certificates of death. It shall be the duty of the state registrar to furnish to the clerk of the district court of each county on or before the first day of February of each year, certified transcripts of the certificates of death filed with him from the respective counties as well as similar transcripts of deaths to the U. S. census bureau at Washington, and to arrange by counties, bind and deposit in the state historical building at Des Moines the original certificates; and transcripts sent each county shall be bound at the expense of said county, and preserved for reference by the clerk of the district court.

SEC. 5. Assessor to report births. It shall be the duty of all assessors at the time of making assessment to obtain and report to the clerk of the district court upon blanks adopted by the state registrar and furnished by the county auditor, such registration of births as occur within their respective districts for the year ending Dec. 31st, immediately preceding.

SEC. 6. Record of marriages and divorces, and births. The clerk of the court in each county shall keep a book in which shall be recorded all marriages and divorces occurring within the county, together with such data respecting the same as shall be required by the state registrar and shall report to said state registrar on or before the first day of August in each year, such data respecting such marriages and divorces for the year ending June

30th immediately preceding, and the clerk of the district court of each county shall keep a book in which shall be recorded all births occurring within the county as shown by the returns filed in this [his] office by the assessor as provided in the section preceding, and on or before the first day of August in each year shall furnish to the state registrar a report of such births.

SEC. 7. Appropriation. There is hereby appropriated the sum of two thousand five hundred (\$2,500) dollars or so much thereof as may be necessary to pay the expense of printing, postage, clerk hire, and such other expenses as may be required, including a sum not to exceed twenty-five dollars (\$25.00) a month to the state registrar in addition to his salary as otherwise authorized. All bills to be itemized, certified to, and approved by the state registrar.

SEC. 8. Penalty. Any person acting as undertaker, sexton, agent of a transportation company, or other person, violating any of the provisions of this act shall be fined not less than ten dollars (\$10.00) and not more than one hundred dollars (\$100.00) or be imprisoned not more than sixty (60) days or be subject to both fine and imprisonment at the discretion of the court. It shall be the duty of the prosecuting attorney in each county upon complaint of the state registrar to prosecute in such cases and the state registrar shall endeavor to see that this act is uniformly and officially executed throughout this state.

SEC. 9. Repealed. Sections twenty-five hundred sixty-six (2566) and twenty-five hundred sixty-seven (2567) of the code and chapter one hundred (100) of the laws of the Thirtieth (30) General Assembly and all other acts and parts of acts in conflict with this act are hereby repealed.

Approved April 10, A. D. 1906.

* CHAPTER 110.

REPORTING OF MARRIAGES AND DIVORCES.

H. F. 59.

AN ACT to amend section two thousand five hundred and sixty-seven (2567) of the code so as to include the reporting of divorces and to change the time of reporting marriages and divorces to the state board of health.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Divorces included. That the words "and divorces" be added after the word "marriages" in lines two (2) and six (6) of section two thousand five hundred and sixty-seven (2567) of the code.

SEC. 2. Time of reporting marriages and divorces. That the word "August" be substituted for the word "June" in line five (5) and the words "June thirtieth (30th)" be substituted for the words "December thirty-first (31st)" in lines six (6) and seven (7) of section two thousand five hundred and sixty-seven (2567) of the code.

Approved February 22, A. D. 1906.

* Section 2567, which this chapter amends, was repealed by section 9 of the preceding chapter, which was enacted and approved at a later date. Section 6 of the preceding chapter was enacted in lieu of section 2567 of the code as amended by this chapter.