

#### **144.40 Paternity of children birth certificates.**

Upon request and receipt of an affidavit of paternity completed and filed pursuant to section 252A.3A, or a certified copy or notification by the clerk of court of a court or administrative order establishing paternity, the state registrar shall amend a certificate of birth to show paternity if paternity is not shown on the birth certificate. Upon written request of the parents, the surname of the child may be changed on the certificate to that of the father. The certificate shall not be marked "amended".

[C24, 27, 31, 35, 39, § 2406; C46, 50, 54, 58, 62, 66, § 144.21; C71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, § 144.40; 81 Acts, ch 64, § 8]

93 Acts, ch 79, §10; 94 Acts, ch 1171, §4