

**144.30 Funeral director's duty — fetal death certificate.**

The funeral director who first assumes custody of a fetus shall file the fetal death certificate. In the absence of such a person, the physician or other person in attendance at or after the delivery shall file the certificate of fetal death. The person filing the certificate shall obtain the personal data from the next of kin or the best qualified person or source available and shall obtain the medical certification of cause of death from the person responsible for completing the certification. When a person other than a funeral director assumes custody of a fetus, the person shall be responsible for carrying out the provisions of [this section](#).

[C71, 73, 75, 77, 79, 81, §144.30]

[97 Acts, ch 159, §18](#)

Referred to in [§144.31A](#), [331.611](#)