

641—96.4(144) Fees. Effective January 1, 2005, the following fees shall be charged for the various services provided by the state registrar or the county registrar.

96.4(1) A fee of \$15 shall be charged for the preparation of an adoption certificate, for amending a certificate, for amending a certificate of birth to reflect legal change of name, and for the preparation of a delayed certificate, for processing any other administrative or legal action, and for the preparation of copies of supporting documents on file in the state registrar's office.

96.4(2) A fee of \$15 shall be charged by the state registrar and a fee of \$15 shall be charged by the county registrar for each record search conducted and shall include the issuance of a copy if the record is located. A fee of \$15 shall be charged for each additional certified copy issued. If following a search no record is found, the \$15 fee shall be retained.

96.4(3) A fee of \$15 shall be charged by the state registrar for amending an abstract or other legal documentation in support of the preparation of a new certificate.

96.4(4) Any overpayment of less than \$15 received by the state registrar for copying of or search for vital records, or for preparation or amending of a certificate, shall not be refunded.

96.4(5) When an individual is in possession of a previously issued certified copy of a vital record and the original record is subsequently changed or amended, the individual may request and receive a certified copy of the changed record without charge, if the uncorrected certified copy is relinquished.

96.4(6) When a search is conducted by the person requesting the copy, a fee based on the average administrative costs as established by the county shall be charged for an uncertified copy of a county record. The fee shall be retained by the county.

96.4(7) All fees collected by the county registrar and the state registrar, with the exception of the fee in subrule 96.4(6), shall be distributed as follows.

a. Fees collected by a county registrar. The county registrar shall retain \$4 of all fees collected by that office. The balance of fees collected by the county registrar shall be divided as follows:

(1) For birth and marriage certificates, the state registrar shall receive \$8, and \$3 shall be deposited in the general fund of the state.

(2) For death certificates, the state registrar shall receive \$6, the office of the state medical examiner shall receive \$3, and \$2 shall be deposited in the general fund of the state.

b. Fees collected by the state registrar. The state registrar shall retain \$9 of all fees collected by that office. The balance of fees collected by the state registrar shall be divided as follows:

(1) For birth and marriage certificates, \$6 shall be deposited in the general fund of the state.

(2) For death certificates, the office of the state medical examiner shall receive \$3, and \$3 shall be deposited in the general fund of the state.

All fees retained by the state registrar shall be added to the fund established by the department for the modernization of vital records.

All fees received by the office of the state medical examiner shall be added to the fund established for the operation of that office and the contribution it makes to the modernization of vital records.

This rule is intended to implement Iowa Code section 144.46; 1993 Iowa Acts, chapter 55; 1994 Iowa Acts, chapter 1068, section 8; and 2004 Iowa Acts, Senate File 2298, section 104.