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1 3 AN ACT
1 4 RELATING TO THE FEE AND USE OF FEE FOR A CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH.
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1 6 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF IOWA:
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1 8 Section 1. Section 144.13A, Code 2003, is amended to read
1 9 as follows:
1 10 144.13A FEES == USE OF FUNDS.
1 11 1. The state registrar shall charge the parent a ~~ten~~
~~1 12 dollar fee for the registration of a certificate of birth and~~
~~1 13 a as follows:~~
1 14 a. Beginning July 1, 2003, and ending June 30, 2005, a fee
1 15 of fifteen dollars.
1 16 b. Beginning July 1, 2005, a fee of twenty dollars.
1 17 2. The state registrar shall charge the parent a separate
1 18 fee established under section 144.46 for a certified copy of
1 19 the certificate. The certified copy shall be mailed to the
1 20 parent by the state registrar.
1 21 3. If the person responsible for the filing of the
1 22 certificate of birth under section 144.13 is not the parent,
1 23 the person is entitled to collect the fee from the parent.
1 24 The fee shall be remitted to the state registrar. If the
1 25 expenses of the birth are reimbursed under the medical
1 26 assistance program established by chapter 249A, or paid for
1 27 under the statewide indigent patient care program established
1 28 by chapter 255, or paid for under the obstetrical and newborn
1 29 indigent patient care program established by chapter 255A, or
1 30 if the parent is indigent and unable to pay the expenses of
1 31 the birth and no other means of payment is available to the
1 32 parent, the registration fee and certified copy fee are
1 33 waived. If the person responsible for the filing of the
1 34 certificate is not the parent, the person is discharged from
1 35 the duty to collect and remit the fee under this section if
2 1 the person has made a good faith effort to collect the fee
2 2 from the parent.
2 3 4. The fees collected by the state registrar shall be
2 4 remitted to the treasurer of state for deposit in the general
2 5 fund of the state.
2 6 a. It is the intent of the general assembly that the funds
2 7 generated from the registration fees be appropriated and used
2 8 as follows:
2 9 (1) Beginning July 1, 2003, and ending June 30, 2005, ten
2 10 dollars of each fee for primary and secondary child abuse
2 11 prevention programs, and five dollars of each fee for the
2 12 birth defects institute central registry established pursuant
2 13 to section 136A.6.
2 14 (2) Beginning July 1, 2005, ten dollars of each fee for
2 15 primary and secondary child abuse prevention programs, and ten
2 16 dollars of each fee for the birth defects institute central
2 17 registry established pursuant to section 136A.6.
2 18 b. It is the intent of the general assembly that the funds
2 19 generated from the fees as established under section 144.46
2 20 for the mailing of the certified copy of the birth certificate
2 21 be appropriated and used to support the distribution of the
2 22 automatic birth certificate and the implementation of the
2 23 electronic birth certificate system.
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2 28 CHRISTOPHER C. RANTS
2 29 Speaker of the House
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2 33 MARY E. KRAMER
2 34 President of the Senate
2 35 I hereby certify that this bill originated in the House and
3 1 is known as House File 541, Eightieth General Assembly.
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MARGARET THOMSON

3 6 Chief Clerk of the House
3 7 Approved _____, 2003
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3 11 THOMAS J. VILSACK
3 12 Governor