

BY: Health and Government Operations Committee

AMENDMENTS TO HOUSE BILL NO. 272

(First Reading File Bill)

AMENDMENT NO. 1

On page 1, in the sponsor line, strike “and Rzepkowski” and substitute “Rzepkowski, Boutin, McDonough, Elliott, Smigiel, Donoghue, and Kach”; in line 4, after “establish” insert “procedures for the issuance of”; strike beginning with “for” in line 4 down through “terms” in line 12 and substitute “; requiring the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene to offer a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth to certain parents; requiring the Department to establish procedures for the issuance of a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth upon the request of certain parents who had a stillborn child prior to the effective date of this Act; requiring the Department to implement certain procedures by a certain date; requiring the Department to make a certain report to certain committees of the General Assembly on or before a certain date”; strike in their entirety lines 14 through 24, inclusive; and in line 27, strike “and 4-213.2”.

AMENDMENT NO. 2

On pages 2 and 3, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 4 on page 2 through line 34 on page 3, inclusive.

AMENDMENT NO. 3

On page 4, in line 2, strike “IN ADDITION TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF § 4-213 OF THIS SUBTITLE,”; strike beginning with “FOR” in line 4 down through “MORE” in line 5; strike in their entirety lines 6 through 10, inclusive, and substitute:

“(B) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL OFFER A CERTIFICATE OF BIRTH RESULTING IN STILLBIRTH TO THE PARENT OR PARENTS OF A STILLBORN CHILD FOR WHOM A FETAL DEATH WAS REGISTERED.”

On pages 4 through 6, strike in their entirety the lines beginning with line 15 on page 4 through line 1 on page 6, inclusive.

(Over)

AMENDMENT NO. 4

On page 6, strike in their entirety lines 2 and 3 and substitute:

“SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall establish procedures for the issuance of a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth upon the request of a parent or parents who have received a certificate of fetal death prior to the effective date of this Act.

SECTION 3. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That:

(a) The Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall adopt and implement the procedures required by this Act on or before January 1, 2004; and

(b) On or before October 1, 2005, the Department of Health and Mental Hygiene shall report to the Governor, and in accordance with § 2-1246 of the State Government Article, to the Senate Education, Health, and Environmental Affairs Committee and the House Health and Government Operations Committee, on the implementation of this Act, including the number of certificates of births resulting in stillbirth issued in the State and the procedures implemented by the Department.

SECTION 4. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect October 1, 2003.”.