

STATE REGISTRAR NOTICE

<p>Subject:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">REMINDER: Death Certificate and Fetal Death Certificate Fee Modification</p>	<p>Number:</p> <p style="text-align: center;">2018-07</p>
<p>Date Issued: August 10, 2018</p> <p>Date Effective: August 21, 2018</p>	<p>By Direction of:</p> <p style="text-align: center;"><i>Audrey C. Marrocco</i> Audrey Marrocco State Registrar</p>

In accordance with Act 42 of 2018, the fee for all death certificates and fetal death certificates is \$20. This new fee goes into effect on August 21, 2018, and applies to certificates issued by the Bureau of Health Statistics and Registries or by a local registrar.

Through August 20, 2018, the fees established under Act 40 of 2017 will remain in effect. Those fees are as follows:

- \$20 for death certificates or fetal death certificates issued by the Bureau of Health Statistics and Registries.
- \$6 for death certificates issued by a local registrar.

For deaths that occurred since June 1, 2018 where the cause of death is pending, the funeral home may submit a “Funeral Home Application for a Death Certificate Showing Final Cause of Death” to the local registrar that registered the death. See attached form.

This application will allow for the pre-purchase of death certificates at the \$6 rate. These death certificates will be issued once the cause of death is finalized. If the cause of death is not finalized by November 30, 2018, then the local registrar will issue these pre-purchased death certificates based on the original report of death as filed with the local registrar.

Funeral directors are requested to print out and complete this application at their facility since local registrars will not have a supply of this application on hand. The application must be completed, paid in full, and submitted to the local registrar **by August 20, 2018**. In addition, the following criteria apply:

- The death must have occurred between June 1, 2018 and August 20, 2018.
- The cause of death is reported as pending.
- Any application on file for reports of death where the cause has not been finalized by November 30, 2018, will result in the issuance of death certificates based on the original report of death as filed with the local registrar.

All certificates must be paid for at time of application. Payment must be made in the form of a check or money order issued by the funeral home applying for the certificates. Checks and money orders should be made payable to the local register.

When remitting payment for these pre-purchased death certificates, please provide your local registrar with one check or money order per application.