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HOUSE BILL NO. 507

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BY REPRESENTATIVE MARINO

VITAL RECORDS/BIRTH CERT: Provides relative to surnames recorded on original birth certificates

AN ACT

2	To enact R.S. 40:34.2(2)(a)(v), relative to birth certificates; to provide for an official
3	surname for birth certificates; and to provide for related matters.
4	Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana:
5	Section 1. R.S. 40:34.2(2)(a)(v) is hereby enacted to read as follows:
6	§34.2. Original birth certificate; required contents; name of child
7	The name of the child shall be entered on the original birth certificate in
8	accordance with the following provisions:
9	* * *
10	(2) Surname.
11	(a) Unless otherwise provided by law and except as provided in
12	Subparagraph (c) of this Paragraph, if the child is born to a mother who either is
13	married or was married within three hundred days prior to the birth of the child, the
14	surname of the child shall be recorded in accordance with the following
15	requirements:
16	* * *
17	(v) For the purposes of this Section, in any case in which a child is born to
18	a parent or parents who possess both paternal and maternal surnames because of

1 national law or custom, the paternal surname of the child's father shall be the official

2 surname of the child on the original birth certificate.

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## DIGEST

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**Abstract:** Requires the paternal surname of the child's father to be the official surname of the child on the original birth certificate.

<u>Proposed law</u> requires the paternal surname of the child's father to be the official surname of any child born to a parent or parents who possess both paternal and maternal surnames because of national law or custom.

(Adds R.S. 40:34.2(2)(a)(v))