

Existing law provides for the preparation and filing of spontaneous fetal death certificates for stillborn babies.

New law provides that, upon the request of the parent or parents of the stillborn child, a certificate of stillbirth shall be issued.

New law requires the certificate of stillbirth to meet all the requirements of form, preparation, disclosure, evidence, issuance, copies, and fees for birth certificates as stipulated in R.S. 40:40 and R.S. 40:44.

New law authorizes the filing of delayed certificates of stillbirth in accordance with DHH regulations.

New law provides that the certificate of stillbirth shall be identified as a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth.

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