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1 AN ACT Relating to death investigations; and amending RCW
2 70.58.107.

3 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF WASHINGTON:

4 **Sec. 1.** RCW 70.58.107 and 1991 c 3 s 343 are each amended to read
5 as follows:

6 The department of health shall charge a fee of ((eleven)) thirteen
7 dollars for certified copies of records and for copies or information
8 provided for research, statistical, or administrative purposes, and
9 eight dollars for a search of the files or records when no copy is
10 made. The department shall prescribe by regulation fees to be paid for
11 preparing sealed files and for opening sealed files.

12 No fee may be demanded or required for furnishing certified copies
13 of a birth, death, fetal death, marriage, divorce, annulment, or legal
14 separation record for use in connection with a claim for compensation
15 or pension pending before the veterans administration.

16 The department shall keep a true and correct account of all fees
17 received and turn the fees over to the state treasurer on a weekly
18 basis.

1 Local registrars shall charge the same fees as the state as
2 hereinabove provided and as prescribed by department regulation, except
3 that local registrars shall charge ((eleven)) thirteen dollars for the
4 first copy of a death certificate and ((six)) eight dollars for each
5 additional copy of the same death certificate when the additional
6 copies are ordered at the same time as the first copy. All such fees
7 collected, except for ((three)) five dollars of each fee for the
8 issuance of a certified copy, shall be paid to the jurisdictional
9 health department.

10 All local registrars in cities and counties shall keep a true and
11 correct account of all fees received under this section for the
12 issuance of certified copies and shall turn ((three)) five dollars of
13 the fee over to the state treasurer on or before the first day of
14 January, April, July, and October.

15 ((Three)) Five dollars of each fee imposed for the issuance of
16 certified copies, except for copies suitable for display issued under
17 RCW 70.58.085, at both the state and local levels shall be held by the
18 state treasurer in the death investigations_ account established by RCW
19 43.79.445.

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