
HOUSE BILL 1475

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By Representative Reams

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1 AN ACT Relating to fees charged by local registrars; and amending
2 RCW 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 dollars for
7 certified copies of records and for copies or information provided for
8 research, statistical, or administrative purposes, and eight dollars
9 for a search of the files or records when no copy is made. The
10 department shall prescribe by regulation fees to be paid for preparing
11 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)) five dollars for the
4 first copy of a death certificate and ((six)) three 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 dollars of each fee for the issuance of a
8 certified copy, shall be paid to the jurisdictional health department.

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

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

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