

1 AN ACT relating to birth certificates for stillborn children.

2 ***Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the Commonwealth of Kentucky:***

3 ➔Section 1. KRS 213.096 is amended to read as follows:

4 (1) Each fetal death of twenty (20) completed weeks' gestation or more, calculated from
5 the date last normal menstrual period began to the date of delivery or in which the
6 fetus weighs three hundred fifty (350) grams or more, which occurs in the
7 Commonwealth, shall be reported on a combination birth-death certificate in
8 accordance with applicable provisions of KRS 213.046 and KRS 213.076. If the
9 fetal death occurs in a hospital, the person in charge of the institution or the person's
10 designated representative shall complete the certificate, obtain the medical
11 certification, and file the certificate with the local registrar.

12 (2) The name of the father shall be entered on the fetal death report in accordance with
13 the provisions of KRS 213.046.

14 (3) All induced terminations of pregnancy shall be reported in the manner prescribed in
15 KRS 213.101 and shall not be reported as fetal deaths.

16 **(4) For any fetal death reported under this section, either parent may file an**
17 **application with the state registrar requesting a certificate of birth resulting in**
18 **stillbirth. The state registrar shall issue the certificate of birth resulting in**
19 **stillbirth upon completion of the application. The certificate of birth resulting in**
20 **stillbirth shall:**

21 **(a) Be based upon the information available from the birth-death certificate**
22 **filed under this section;**

23 **(b) Include the name of the child if the birth-death certificate includes the**
24 **name of the child or if the parent filing the application elects to provide a**
25 **name;**

26 **(c) Clearly indicate that it is not proof of a live birth;**

27 **(d) Clearly indicate that it does not replace the requirement to file a report of**

- 1 *fetal death; and*
- 2 *(e) Include the caption "Certificate of Birth Resulting in Stillbirth".*