

SENATE BILL No. 528

AN ACT concerning public health; relating to the reporting of statistical data regarding termination of pregnancies; amending K.S.A. 65-445 and 65-2409a and repealing the existing sections.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 65-445 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-445. (a) Every medical care facility shall keep written records of all pregnancies which are lawfully terminated within such medical care facility and shall annually submit a written report thereon to the secretary of health and environment in the manner and form prescribed by the secretary. Every person licensed to practice medicine and surgery shall keep a record of all pregnancies which are lawfully terminated by such person in a location other than a medical care facility and shall annually submit a written report thereon to the secretary of health and environment in the manner and form prescribed by the secretary.

(b) Each report required by this section shall include the number of pregnancies terminated during the period of time covered by the report, the type of medical facility in which the pregnancy was terminated, information required to be reported under K.S.A. 65-6703 and amendments thereto if applicable to the pregnancy terminated, and such other information as may be required by the secretary of health and environment, but the report shall not include the names of the persons whose pregnancies were so terminated.

(c) *Each report required by this section shall also include:*

(1) *Detailed reasons for termination of a pregnancy past 22 weeks of gestation; and*

(2) *details disclosing the specific fetal anomalies.*

~~(d)~~ (d) Information obtained by the secretary of health and environment under this section shall be confidential and shall not be disclosed in a manner that would reveal the identity of any person licensed to practice medicine and surgery who submits a report to the secretary under this section or the identity of any medical care facility which submits a report to the secretary under this section, except that such information, including information identifying such persons and facilities may be disclosed to the state board of healing arts upon request of the board for disciplinary action conducted by the board and may be disclosed to the attorney general upon a showing that a reasonable cause exists to believe that a violation of this act has occurred. Any information disclosed to the state board of healing arts or the attorney general pursuant to this subsection shall be used solely for the purposes of a disciplinary action or criminal proceeding. Except as otherwise provided in this subsection, information obtained by the secretary under this section may be used only for statistical purposes and such information shall not be released in a manner which would identify any county or other area of this state in which the termination of the pregnancy occurred. A violation of this subsection (c) is a class A nonperson misdemeanor.

~~(d)~~ (e) In addition to such criminal penalty under subsection (c), any person licensed to practice medicine and surgery or medical care facility whose identity is revealed in violation of this section may bring a civil action against the responsible person or persons for any damages to the person licensed to practice medicine and surgery or medical care facility caused by such violation.

~~(e)~~ (f) For the purpose of maintaining confidentiality as provided by subsections (c) and (d), reports of terminations of pregnancies required by this section shall identify the person or facility submitting such reports *and the referring physician under K.S.A. 65-6703, and amendments thereto*, only by confidential code number assigned by the secretary of health and environment to such person or facility and the department of health and environment shall maintain such reports only by such number.

Sec. 2. K.S.A. 65-2409a is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-2409a. (a) A certificate of birth for each live birth which occurs in this state shall be filed with the state registrar within five days after such birth and shall be registered by such registrar if such certificate has been completed and filed in accordance with this section. If a birth occurs on a moving conveyance, a birth certificate shall indicate as the place of birth the location where the child was first removed from the conveyance.

(b) (1) When a birth occurs in an institution, the person in charge of the institution or the person's designated representative shall obtain the personal data, prepare the certificate, secure the signatures required by

the certificate and file such certificate with the state registrar. The physician in attendance or, in the absence of the physician, the person in charge of the institution or that person's designated representative shall certify to the facts of birth and provide the medical information required by the certificate within five days after the birth.

(2) When a birth occurs outside an institution, the certificate shall be prepared and filed by one of the following in the indicated order of priority: ~~(1)~~ (A) The physician in attendance at or immediately after the birth, or in the absence of such a person; ~~(2)~~ (B) any other person in attendance at or immediately after the birth, or in the absence of such a person; or ~~(3)~~ (C) the father, the mother or, in the absence of the father and the inability of the mother, the person in charge of the premises where the birth occurred.

(3) *The secretary of health and environment shall design and promulgate a form for an attempted abortion resulting in a live birth and provide copies to all relevant entities. This form shall show the mother's state of residence, the mother's age, the baby's anomalies, if any, determinable at birth or diagnosed in utero and the number of children the mother has given birth to and the health outcomes of such children.*

(c) If the mother was married at the time of either conception or birth, or at any time between conception and birth, the name of the husband shall be entered on the certificate as the father of the child unless paternity has been determined otherwise by a court of competent jurisdiction, in which case the name of the father as determined by the court shall be entered. If the mother was not married either at the time of conception or of birth, or at any time between conception and birth, the name of the father shall not be entered on the certificate of birth without the written consent of the mother and of the person to be named as the father on a form provided by the state registrar pursuant to K.S.A. 38-1138 unless a determination of paternity has been made by a court of competent jurisdiction, in which case the name of the father as determined by the court shall be entered.

(d) One of the parents of any child shall sign the certificate of live birth to attest to the accuracy of the personal data entered thereon, in time to permit its filing within the five days prescribed above.

(e) Except as otherwise provided by this subsection, a fee of \$4 shall be paid for each certificate of live birth filed with the state registrar. Such fee shall be paid by the parent or parents of the child. If a birth occurs in an institution, the person in charge of the institution or the person's designated representative shall be responsible for collecting the fee and shall remit such fee to the secretary of health and environment not later than the 15th day following the end of the calendar quarter during which the birth occurred. If a birth occurs other than in an institution, the person completing the birth certificate shall be responsible for collecting the fee and shall remit such fee to the secretary of health and environment not later than the 15th day of the month following the birth.

The fee provided for by this subsection shall not be required to be paid if the parent or parents of the child are at the time of the birth receiving assistance, as defined by K.S.A. 39-702 and amendments thereto, from the secretary of social and rehabilitation services.

(f) Except as provided in this subsection, when a certificate of birth is filed pursuant to this act, each parent shall furnish the social security number or numbers issued to the parent. Social security numbers furnished pursuant to this subsection shall not be recorded on the birth certificate. A parent shall not be required to furnish such person's social security number pursuant to this subsection if no social security number has been issued to the parent; the social security number is unknown; or the secretary determines that good cause, as defined in federal regulations promulgated pursuant to title IV-D of the federal social security act, exists for not requiring the social security number. Nothing in this subsection shall delay the filing or issuance of the birth certificate.

Sec. 3. K.S.A. 65-445 and 65-2409a are hereby repealed.

Sec. 4. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.

I hereby certify that the above BILL originated in the SENATE, and passed that body

SENATE adopted
Conference Committee Report _____

President of the Senate.

Secretary of the Senate.

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as amended _____

HOUSE adopted
Conference Committee Report _____

Speaker of the House.

Chief Clerk of the House.

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Governor.