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January 23, 2003, Introduced by Senators GEORGE, BIRKHOLZ, Van WOERKOM, BROWN, CHERRY, ALLEN, JACOBS, BERNERO, McMANUS, CROPSEY, PRUSI and SCHAUER and referred to the Committee on Commerce and Labor.

A bill to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled
"Public health code,"
(MCL 333.1101 to 333.25211) by adding sections 2862 and 2882a.

THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF MICHIGAN ENACT:

1 Sec. 2862. (1) In addition to the original marriage license
2 certificate filed with the state registrar under section 2861,
3 the state registrar shall issue, upon request and payment of a
4 fee established by rule, an heirloom marriage certificate
5 representing the marriage of the individuals named on the
6 original marriage license certificate. The state registrar may
7 establish procedures for the administration of an heirloom
8 marriage certificate.

9 (2) The department shall promulgate rules that establish the
10 amount of the fee for each separate design of an heirloom
11 certificate of marriage. The department shall establish each fee

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1 in an amount that is more than the estimated actual cost to the
2 department for a similar design, not to exceed the estimated fair
3 market value of a comparable artistic rendition. The fee
4 required under this subsection is in addition to the fees
5 established under section 2891 for a copy of an original marriage
6 license certificate. The state registrar shall transmit that
7 portion of the fee that exceeds the actual cost of preparing and
8 administering an heirloom marriage certificate to the state
9 treasurer for deposit in the genealogy projects fund established
10 in subsection (6).

11 (3) The department of history, arts, and libraries shall
12 design each heirloom marriage certificate available for issue
13 under subsection (1). An heirloom marriage certificate must be
14 in a form consistent with the form and content prescribed by the
15 department under section 2811 to protect the integrity of vital
16 records and must be suitable for display. It may bear the seal
17 of the state and may be signed by the governor.

18 (4) The department of history, arts, and libraries is
19 responsible for the marketing and promotion of an heirloom
20 marriage certificate.

21 (5) An heirloom marriage certificate issued under subsection
22 (1) has the same status as evidence as an original marriage
23 license certificate.

24 (6) The genealogy projects fund is established in the state
25 treasury. The money in the genealogy fund shall be spent only as
26 provided in subsection (9).

27 (7) The state treasurer shall direct the investment of the

1 genealogy projects fund and shall credit interest and earnings
2 from the investment to the fund. The genealogy projects fund may
3 receive gifts and devises and other money as provided by law.

4 (8) The unencumbered balance in the genealogy projects fund
5 at the close of the fiscal year shall remain in the genealogy
6 projects fund and shall not revert to the general fund.

7 (9) The department of history, arts, and libraries shall use
8 the money in the genealogy projects fund only for department of
9 history, arts, and libraries programs related to genealogy.

10 Sec. 2882a. (1) In addition to the birth record copies and
11 certificates issued under section 2882, the state registrar shall
12 issue, upon request and payment of a fee established by rule, an
13 heirloom birth certificate representing the birth of the
14 individual named on the original birth record or certificate.
15 The state registrar may establish procedures for the
16 administration of an heirloom birth certificate.

17 (2) The department shall promulgate rules that establish the
18 amount of the fee for each separate design of an heirloom
19 certificate of birth. The department shall establish each fee in
20 an amount that is more than the estimated actual cost to the
21 department for a similar design, not to exceed the estimated fair
22 market value of a comparable artistic rendition. The fee
23 required under this subsection is in addition to the fees
24 established under section 2891 for a copy of an original birth
25 certificate. The state registrar shall transmit that portion of
26 the fee that exceeds the actual cost of preparing and
27 administering an heirloom birth certificate to the state

1 treasurer for deposit in the genealogy projects fund established
2 in section 2862.

3 (3) The department of history, arts, and libraries shall
4 design each heirloom birth certificate available for issue under
5 subsection (1). An heirloom birth certificate must be in a form
6 consistent with the form and content prescribed by the department
7 under section 2811 to protect the integrity of vital records and
8 must be suitable for display. It may bear the seal of the state
9 and may be signed by the governor.

10 (4) The department of history, arts, and libraries is
11 responsible for the marketing and promotion of an heirloom birth
12 certificate.

13 (5) An heirloom birth certificate issued under subsection (1)
14 has the same status as evidence as an original birth certificate.