

1 made and the evidence offered in court by the judge to whom the appeal shall be
2 allotted. Any aggrieved person shall file such appeal within thirty days of such
3 decision. The ~~second city court~~ **Second City Court** shall adopt rules regulating the
4 manner of taking, hearing, and deciding such appeals.

5 **F. The office of the clerk of the Second City Court may issue certain vital**
6 **records as provided for in R.S. 40:39.1.**

7 Section 2. R.S. 40:39.1(A)(1), (B)(1), (C), and (D) are hereby amended and
8 reenacted to read as follows:

9 §39.1. Certified copies of birth certificates and death certificates; clerks of district
10 courts **and the Second City Court of the city of New Orleans**; Vital
11 Records Conversion Fund

12 A. The state registrar of vital records shall promulgate rules to implement the
13 issuance of certified copies of birth certificates and death certificates through the
14 office of the clerk of district court in each parish **and the office of clerk of the**
15 **Second City Court of the city of New Orleans**. Such rules shall apply only to
16 issuance of those birth and death records that are available for electronic issuance
17 from the Vital Records Registry birth and death databases and shall include access
18 to the following items:

19 (1) Automated access, retrieval, and production of short-form birth
20 certificates, long-form birth certificates, and death certificates by the clerks of district
21 courts **and the clerk of the Second City Court of the city of New Orleans** using
22 the data network available to the secretary of state.

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24 B.(1) The clerk of district court in each parish **and the clerk of the Second**
25 **City Court of the city of New Orleans** may issue certified copies of short-form
26 birth certificate cards and long-form birth certificates and death certificates in
27 accordance with rules promulgated pursuant to Subsection A of this Section. In
28 addition to fees collected for issuance of a birth record or death certificate as
29 provided in R.S. 40:40, the clerk of court shall collect a fee of five dollars for a short-

1 form birth certificate and nine dollars for a long-form birth certificate or a death
2 certificate.

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4 C. The clerks of district courts, **the clerk of the Second City of the city of**
5 **New Orleans**, and the secretary of state shall be subject to provisions of this Chapter
6 governing confidentiality of vital records information in the same manner provided
7 for the state registrar and provisions governing to whom a certified copy of a birth
8 certificate or death certificate may be issued. Any birth certificate or death certificate
9 issued by the clerk of a district court **and the clerk of the Second City Court of the**
10 **city of New Orleans** shall be accepted as an original record.

11 D. The state registrar shall promulgate the rules necessary for the
12 implementation of the provisions of this Section on or before January 1, ~~2000~~ **2015**.

The original instrument was prepared by Cathy R. Wells. The following
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prepared by Jerry G. Jones.

DIGEST

Heitmeier (SB 544)

Present law provides that the Second City Court of the city of New Orleans has civil jurisdiction in cases where the amount does not exceed \$20,000.

Proposed law provides such jurisdiction in cases that do not exceed \$25,000.

Present law authorizes district court clerks to issue and collect fees for certain vital records.

Proposed law retains present law and authorizes the clerk for the Second City Court of the city of New Orleans to issue and collect fees for certain vital records.

Proposed law requires the state registrar promulgate rules necessary for the implementation of the provisions of proposed law no later than Jan. 1, 2015.

Effective August 1, 2014.

(Amends R.S. 13:2151.4(D) and (E) and R.S. 40:39.1(A)(1), (B)(1), (C), and (D); adds R.S. 13:2151.4(F))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by Senate

Committee Amendments Proposed by Senate Committee on Judiciary A to the original bill

1. Changed \$35,000 to \$25,000.