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HOUSE BILL NO. 134

BY REPRESENTATIVE BAGLEY

CLERKS OF COURT: Authorizes the clerk of court for DeSoto Parish to charge an additional fee for issuing birth and death certificates

AN ACT

2 To enact R.S. 40:39.1(B)(6) and to repeal R.S. 40:39.1(D), relative to certified copies of 3 vital records; to authorize the levy of an additional fee by certain clerks of court for 4 the issuance of such records; to repeal the requirement that the state registrar 5 promulgate rules relative to prior Acts of the legislature; and to provide for related 6 matters. 7 Be it enacted by the Legislature of Louisiana: 8 Section 1. R.S. 40:39.1(B)(6) is hereby enacted 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 Records 11 Conversion Fund 12 13 B. 14 (6) Notwithstanding any other provision of law to the contrary, in addition 15 16 to fees collected for issuance of a birth record or death certificate as provided in R.S. 17 40:40 and Paragraph (1) of this Subsection, the clerk of the district court in DeSoto 18 Parish may charge an additional ten-dollar fee for issuance of certified copies of birth 19 certificates and death certificates. 20 21 Section 2. R.S. 40:39.1(D) is hereby repealed in its entirety.

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DIGEST

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Abstract: Authorizes the clerk of the district court in DeSoto Parish to levy an additional \$10 fee for the production of birth and death certificates in addition to all other fees required pursuant to present law for the production of such documents.

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 40:39.1) authorizes clerks of district courts to issue birth and death certificates through the state vital records registry. Allows each clerk to levy a \$5 fee for a short-form birth certificate and a \$9 fee for a long-form birth certificate or a death certificate, in addition to other fees levied by the state registrar for such documents pursuant to <u>present law</u> (R.S. 40:40). <u>Proposed law retains present law</u>.

<u>Proposed law</u> further authorizes the clerk of district court for the parish of DeSoto to charge an additional \$10 fee for issuing certified copies of birth and death certificates pursuant to <u>present law</u>.

<u>Present law</u> (R.S. 40:39.1(D)) requires the state registrar of vital records to promulgate rules by Jan. 1, 2015, relative to present law. Proposed law repeals present law.

Effective August 1, 2016.

(Adds R.S. 40:39.1(B)(6); Repeals R.S. 40:39.1(D))