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H.B. No. 2464

A BILL TO BE ENTITLED

AN ACT

relating to an additional fee for certain birth records to fund child abuse prevention programs; imposing a fee.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF TEXAS:

SECTION 1. Section 191.0045, Health and Safety Code, is amended by amending Subsection (d) and adding Subsection (j) to read as follows:

(d) A local registrar or county clerk who issues a certified copy of a birth or death certificate shall charge the same fees as charged by the bureau of vital statistics, including the additional fees ~~[fee]~~ required under Subsections ~~[Subsection]~~ (e) and (j), except as provided by Subsections (g) and (h). A local registrar or county clerk shall send the fee collected under Subsection (j) to the comptroller, who shall deposit the money to the credit of the child abuse and neglect prevention trust fund account established under Section 40.105, Human Resources Code.

(j) In addition to fees collected by the bureau of vital statistics under Subsection (b), the bureau shall:

(1) collect an additional \$2 fee for each of the following:

(A) issuing a certified copy of a certificate of birth;

(B) issuing a wallet-sized certification of birth; and

1 (C) conducting a search for a certificate of
2 birth; and

3 (2) send the fees collected under this subsection to
4 the comptroller, who shall deposit the money to the credit of the
5 child abuse and neglect prevention trust fund account established
6 under Section 40.105, Human Resources Code.

7 SECTION 2. The fee authorized by Section 191.0045(j),
8 Health and Safety Code, as added by this Act, applies only to a fee
9 for a certificate or certification of birth issued, or a search for
10 a certificate of birth requested, on or after September 1, 2013.

11 SECTION 3. This Act takes effect September 1, 2013.