

1 **State of Arkansas**
2 **79th General Assembly**
3 **Regular Session, 1993**
4 **By: Senator Yates**

A Bill

SENATE BILL

For An Act To Be Entitled

8 "AN ACT TO AMEND ARKANSAS CODE 20-18-601 (a) TO REDUCE THE
9 TIME ALLOWED FOR FILING A DEATH CERTIFICATE; AND FOR OTHER
10 PURPOSES."

Subtitle

14 "AN ACT TO REDUCE THE TIME ALLOWED FOR FILING A DEATH
15 CERTIFICATE."

17 BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

19 SECTION 1. Arkansas Code 20-18-601 (a) is amended to read as follows:

20 "(a) A death certificate for each death which occurs in this state
21 shall be filed with the Division of Vital Records or as otherwise directed by
22 the state registrar within three (3) days after death and prior to final
23 disposition, or as prescribed by regulations of the board. It shall be
24 registered if it has been completed and filed in accordance with this section.

25 (1) If the place of death is unknown but the body is found in
26 this state, the death certificate shall be completed and filed in accordance
27 with this section. The place where the body is found shall be shown as the
28 place of death. If the date of death is unknown, it shall be determined by
29 approximation.

30 (2)(A) When death occurs in a moving conveyance in the United
31 States and the body is first removed from the conveyance in this state, the
32 death shall be registered in this state and the place where it is first
33 removed shall be considered the place of death.

34 (B) When a death occurs on a moving conveyance while in
35 international waters or air space or in a foreign country and the body is

1 first removed from the conveyance in this state, the death shall be registered
2 in this state but the certificate shall show the actual place of death insofar
3 as can be determined."

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5 SECTION 2. All provisions of this act of a general and permanent nature
6 are amendatory to the Arkansas Code of 1987 Annotated and the Arkansas Code
7 Revision Commission shall incorporate the same in the Code.

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9 SECTION 3. If any provision of this act or the application thereof to
10 any person or circumstance is held invalid, such invalidity shall not affect
11 other provisions or applications of the act which can be given effect without
12 the invalid provision or application, and to this end the provisions of this
13 act are declared to be severable.

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15 SECTION 4. All laws and parts of laws in conflict with this act are
16 hereby repealed.

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