## Stricken language would be deleted from and underlined language would be added to the law as it existed prior to this session of the General Assembly.

1	State of Arkansas	As Engrossed: S2/27/07		
2	86th General Assembly	A Bill		
3	Regular Session, 2007		SENATE BILL	398
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5	By: Senator Salmon			
6	By: Representative D. Creekmo	ore		
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9		For An Act To Be Entitled		
10	AN ACT TO	O AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF VITAL REC	CORDS	
11	OF THE DI	IVISION OF HEALTH OF THE DEPARTMENT C	)F	
12	HEALTH AN	ND HUMAN SERVICES TO ISSUE CERTIFICAT	ES	
13	OF BIRTH	RESULTING IN STILLBIRTH; AND FOR OTH	IER	
14	PURPOSES.	•		
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16		Subtitle		
17	AN ACT	T TO AUTHORIZE THE DIVISION OF		
18	VITAL	RECORDS OF THE DIVISION OF HEALTH		
19	OF THE	E DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND HUMAN		
20	SERVIC	CES TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF BIRTH		
21	RESULT	TING IN STILLBIRTH.		
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24	BE IT ENACTED BY THE GE	NERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKAN	SAS:	
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26	SECTION 1. Arkan	sas Code Title 20, Chapter 18, Subch	apter 4 is amen	ded
27	to add an additional se	ection to read as follows:		
28	<u>20-18-410.</u> Certi	ficate of birth resulting in stillbi	rth.	
29	(a) As used in t	his section:		
30	<u>(1) "Certi</u>	ficate of birth resulting in stillbi	rth" means a bi	<u>rth</u>
31	certificate issued to r	ecord the birth of a stillborn child	; and	
32	<u>(1) "Still</u>	birth" means an unintended, intraute	rine fetal deat	<u>:h</u>
33	occurring in this state	e after a gestational age of not less	than twenty (2	<u>'0)</u>
34	completed weeks.			
35		o is required to file a fetal death c		r §
36	20-18-603 shall advise	the parent or parents of a stillborn	child:	

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1	(1) That a parent may but is not required to request the
2	preparation of a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth;
3	(2) That a parent may obtain a certificate of birth resulting in
4	stillbirth by contacting the Division of Vital Records of the Division of
5	Health of the Department of Health and Human Services to request the
6	certificate and paying the required fee; and
7	(3) Regarding the way in which a parent may contact the division
8	to request the of birth resulting in stillbirth.
9	(c)(1) If a parent requests that a certificate of birth resulting in
10	stillbirth be prepared, the parent may provide a name for a stillborn child
11	to be included on the of birth resulting in stillbirth.
12	(2) If the requesting parent does not wish to provide a name,
13	the Division of Vital Records shall fill in the certificate with the name
14	"baby boy" or "baby girl" and the last name of the requesting parent.
15	(3) The name of the stillborn child provided on or later added
16	by amendment to the certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth shall be the
17	same name as appears on the original or amended fetal death certificate.
18	(d) A certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth shall include the
19	state file number of the corresponding fetal death certificate.
20	(e) The Division of Vital Records shall prescribe the form and content
21	of a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth and shall specify the
22	information necessary to prepare the certificate.
23	(f) The Division of Vital Records shall not use a certificate of birth
24	resulting in stillbirth to calculate live birth statistics.
25	(g) If a fetal death certificate was issued for a stillbirth, a parent
26	may request that the Division of Vital Records issue a certificate of birth
27	resulting in stillbirth without regard to the date on which the fetal death
28	certificate was issued.
29	(h) The Division of Vital Records shall prescribe the form and content
30	of a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth.
31	(i) A parent may request the Division of Vital Records to prepare and
32	issue a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth without regard to
33	whether the fetal death occurred on or before the effective date of this act.
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35	/s/ Salmon
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