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NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING
“Vital Records”
Revision to Regulation 511-1-3-.38

The Department of Public Health proposes the attached amendment to DPH Regulation 511-1-3-.38, pursuant to its authority under O.C.G.A. Sections 31-2A-6 and 31-10-3.

This amendment is intended to clarify the parameters to be reported to the Office of Vital Records by Superior Court Clerks, and by county officials receiving completed marriage licenses, with regard to marriages and divorces.

Interested persons may submit comments on these proposed revisions in writing addressed to:

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Comment may also be presented in person at a public meeting scheduled for 2:30 p.m., 11 February 2016, in room 9-260 at 2 Peachtree Street, NW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303.



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511-1-3-.38 Transmittal of Certificates and Reports.

(1) When a completed certificate of live birth, death, or spontaneous fetal death is filed with a local registrar, these certificates shall be transmitted to the State Office of Vital Records within ten days of receipt by the local registrar.

(2) Each official issuing marriage licenses shall forward to the State Office of Vital Records, before the tenth day of each month, ~~a copy of the completed applications and~~ the following information with respect to each completed marriage licenses returned to such official during the preceding month: gender, date of birth, number of marriage (e.g., first, second, third, etc.); the first, middle, and last name of each party; county and date of ceremony; name, title, and address of officiator; and name of probate judge or clerk.

(3) The Clerk of Superior Court shall complete and forward to the State Office of Vital Records, before the tenth day of each month, ~~the records of~~ the following information with respect to each divorce, dissolution of marriage, or annulment decree granted during the preceding calendar month: civil action number; date of divorce decree; county of issuance; gender, date of birth, county of residence, number of marriage (e.g., first, second, third, etc.); the first, middle, and last name of each party; original date of marriage; and number of children under 18 years of age.

(4) The Clerk of the Superior Court shall complete and forward to the State Office of Vital Records, before the 15th day of each month, all completed certificates of adoption, annulments of adoption, and amendments of decrees of adoption which were entered in the preceding calendar month.

Authority: O.C.G.A. Secs. 31-2A-6, 31-10-3, 31-10-5, 31-10-21, 31-10-22.