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AN ACT

To amend chapter 193, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to heritage birth or marriage certificates.

Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Missouri, as follows:

Section A. Chapter 193, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 193.059, to read as follows:

193.059. 1. The state may promote and sell a "Heritage Birth Certificate" or "Heritage Marriage Certificate". In addition to any other 3 certificate of birth or marriage issued under this chapter, the state 4 registrar may issue, upon request, a heritage certificate of birth or marriage representing the birth or marriage of an individual named on the original record or certificate and celebrating the unique heritage 7 of Missouri citizens. The state registrar may establish procedures for 8 the creation and the administration of a heritage certificate of birth or 9 marriage. Each copy issued shall show the date of registration, and copies issued from records marked "delayed" or "amended" shall be 10 similarly marked and show the effective date. The documentary 11 evidence used to establish a delayed certificate shall be shown on all

2. The heritage certificate of birth or marriage issued shall be in 14 15 a form consistent with the need to protect the integrity of vital records, including secure measures designed to prevent tampering, 16 17 counterfeiting, or otherwise duplicating the certificate of birth or marriage for fraudulent purposes, as provided in the Intelligence 18 Reform and Terrorism Prevention Act of 2004 (P.L. 108-458). The 19 20 certificate shall be suitable for display. Such certificate may bear the

seal of the state and may be signed by the governor.

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3. The heritage certificate of birth or marriage shall be accepted as the original record in the same manner as certified birth or marriage certificates are accepted as original records under section 193.255. Heritage certificates of birth or marriage shall only be issued to individuals born or married in Missouri.

- 4. Upon request and issuance of a heritage certificate of birth or marriage, the department of health and senior services may charge a fee, not to exceed fifty dollars. All fees shall be deposited to the department of revenue. For each fee collected, the director of the department of revenue shall credit:
 - (1) Four dollars to the general revenue fund;
- (2) Ten dollars to the children's trust fund;
 - (3) One dollar to the endowed care cemetery audit fund;
- 35 (4) Fifteen dollars to the crippled children's service fund; and
- 36 (5) Twenty dollars to the Missouri public health services fund 37 established in section 192.900.

Money in the endowed care cemetery audit fund shall be available by 38 39 appropriation to the division of professional registration to pay expenses in administering sections 214.270 to 214.410. The money 40 41 deposited in the public health services fund shall be deposited in a separate account in the fund, and moneys in such account, upon appropriation, shall be used to support the collection, maintenance, 43 44 analysis and issuance of vital records, including heritage certificates of birth or marriage. The money deposited in the crippled children's 45service fund shall be used, upon appropriation, to support the children 46with special health care needs program.

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