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§16-5-2. Establishment of section of vital statistics in Bureau for Public Health.

(a) There is established in the state Bureau for Public Health a section of vital statistics which shall install, maintain and operate the only system of vital statistics throughout this state.

(b) The section of vital statistics shall be provided with sufficient staff, suitable offices with a fireproof vault and a nonliquid fire suppression system for the protection of paper records and magnetic media and other resources for the proper administration of the system of vital statistics and for the preservation and security of its official records.

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