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AN ACT to amend and reenact section twenty-one, article five, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, relating to certified copies of birth and death records, by providing same to the veterans' division of the department of public welfare, without charge.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of West Virginia:

That section twenty-one, article five, chapter sixteen of the code of West Virginia, one thousand nine hundred thirty-one, be amended and reenacted so as to read as follows:

Section 21. The state registrar shall, upon request, supply 2 to any applicant a certified copy of the record of any birth or 3 death registered under the provisions of this article, for the 4 making and certification of which he shall be entitled to a fee

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5 of fifty cents, to be paid by the applicant: Provided, That 6 such copy shall not state that any child was either legitimate 7 or illegitimate. Any such copy of the record of a birth or 8 death, when properly certified by the state registrar, shall be 9 prima facie evidence, in all courts and places, of the facts 10 therein stated. For any search of the files and records when 11 no certified copy is made, the state registrar shall be entitled 12 to a fee of fifty cents for each hour or fractional part of an 13 hour of time of search, said fee to be paid by the applicant. 14 The state registrar shall keep a true and correct account of 15 all fees by him received under the provisions of this article 16 and turn the same over to the state treasurer: Provided, 17 That the state registrar shall, upon the request of any parent 18 or guardian, supply without fee a certificate limited to a 19 statement as to the date of birth of any child when the same 20 shall be necessary for admission to school, or for the purpose 21 of securing employment: Provided, That the United States 22 bureau of census may obtain, without expense to the state, 23 transcripts or certified copies of births and deaths without 24 payment of the fees herein prescribed: Provided further, 25 That certified copies of birth and death certificates may, upon

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26 his written request, be furnished to the chief of the division of 27 veterans' affairs of the department of public welfare without 28 charge, for use in assisting veterans, their widows, children or 29 other dependents, in presenting claims to the federal govern-30 ment, but an accurate record shall be made of all such certifial ficates so furnished.

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