

**CHAPTER 104**  
**COPIES OF VITAL RECORDS**

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**641-104.1(144) Certified copies and verifications.** Certified copies of vital statistics certificates may be prepared and issued by the state registrar or the county registrar.

**104.1(1)** Full- or short-form certified copies of vital records may be made by mechanical, electronic, or other reproductive processes, except that the medical and health data on birth and fetal death certificates, other than the cause of fetal death, shall not be included.

**104.1(2)** When a certified copy is issued, each certification shall contain a statement certifying that the facts are the true facts recorded in the issuing office; the date issued; the name of the issuing office; the registrar's signature or an authorized facsimile thereof; and the seal of the issuing office.

**104.1(3)** Confidential verifications of the facts contained in vital statistics records may be furnished by the state registrar to any federal, state, county or municipal government agency or other entity representing the interest of the registrant. Such confidential verifications shall be on forms prescribed and furnished by the state registrar or on forms furnished by the requesting agency and acceptable to the state registrar, or the state registrar may authorize the verification in other ways.

**641-104.2(144) Cancellation of fraudulent records.** When the state registrar is satisfied that a certificate was registered through fraud or misrepresentation, the state registrar shall give to the person named in the certificate a notice in writing of the state registrar's intention to cancel said certificate. The notice shall give such person an opportunity to appear and show cause why the certificate should not be canceled. The notice may be served on such person, or in the case of a minor or incompetent, on parent or guardian by forwarding the notice by certified mail to the last-known address on file in the division. Unless such person or the parent or guardian shall within 30 days after the date of mailing the notice show cause satisfactory to the state registrar why the certificate shall not be canceled, the state registrar may cancel the certificate, and it shall not be available for certification.

These rules are intended to implement Iowa Code section [144.3](#).

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