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## **HOUSE BILL No. 2179**

By Committee on Corrections and Juvenile Justice

## 1-26

AN ACT concerning vital records; relating to penalties for fraud; amending K.S.A. 65-2434 and repealing the existing section.

Be it enacted by the Legislature of the State of Kansas:

Section 1. K.S.A. 65-2434 is hereby amended to read as follows: 65-2434. (1) Any person who willfully makes or alters any certificate, certified copy thereof or abstract provided for in this act, except in accordance

17  $\frac{(2)}{(a)}$  (a) Vital records fraud is:

(A) Willfully and knowingly supplying false information intending that the information be used to obtain a certified vital record copy;

with the provisions of this act, shall be guilty of a class B misdemeanor.

- (B) making, counterfeiting, altering, amending or mutilating any certified copy of a vital record:
  - (i) Without lawful authority; and
  - (ii) with the intent to deceive; or
- 24 (C) willfully and knowingly obtaining, possessing, using, selling or 25 furnishing or attempting to obtain, possess or furnish to another for any 26 purpose of deception a certified copy of a vital record.
  - (2) Vital records fraud is a severity level 9, nonperson felony.
  - (b) Any person who knowingly transports or accepts for transportation, a dead body located in this state to a location outside the boundaries of this state without an accompanying permit issued in accordance with the provisions of K.S.A. 65-2428a, and amendments thereto, shall be guilty of a class C misdemeanor.
  - (3) (c) Except where a different penalty is provided in this section, any person who violates any of the provisions of this act or neglects or refuses to perform any of the duties imposed upon such person by this act, shall be fined not more than \$200.
- 37 Sec. 2. K.S.A. 65-2434 is hereby repealed.
- Sec. 3. This act shall take effect and be in force from and after its publication in the statute book.