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For An Act To Be Entitled

AN ACT TO AMEND THE DEATH CERTIFICATE REGISTRATION
PROCESS FOR THE SIGNATURE OF THE MEDICAL CERTIFICATE;
AND FOR OTHER PURPOSES.

Subtitle

TO AMEND THE DEATH CERTIFICATE
REGISTRATION PROCESS FOR THE SIGNATURE OF
THE MEDICAL CERTIFICATE.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ARKANSAS:

SECTION 1. Arkansas Code § 20-18-601(i)(1), concerning death certificate registration and the medical certification of death, is amended to read as follows:

(i)(1) Upon request, the department may grant a waiver from the requirement of subdivision (c)(1)(A)(ii) of this section that a medical certification be completed using an electronic process or system if a person requesting the waiver:

~~(A) Lacks reliable internet connectivity sufficient to ensure access and secure submission to the electronic system;~~

~~(B) Has not received requested training or technical assistance from the division on the use of the system and correct submission procedure;~~

~~(C)(A)~~ Regularly signs fewer than ~~five (5)~~ ten (10) medical certifications per ~~month~~ year; or



~~(D)~~(B) Shows other good cause for a waiver as determined by the department in its discretion.

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