

1 ENGROSSED HOUSE
2 BILL NO. 3330

By: Fetgatter and McDugle of
the House

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4 Garvin of the Senate
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7 An Act relating to foreign adoptions; amending 10
8 O.S. 2021, Section 7505-6.6, which relates to
9 documentation provided in adoptions; providing
certain standards for birth certificates; authorizing
agency rulemaking; and providing an effective date.
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12 BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

13 SECTION 1. AMENDATORY 10 O.S. 2021, Section 7505-6.6, is
14 amended to read as follows:

15 Section 7505-6.6 A. 1. For each adoption or annulment of
16 adoption, the attorney or child-placing agency handling the adoption
17 or annulment of adoption shall prepare and the clerk of the court
18 shall certify, within thirty (30) days after the decree becomes
19 final, a certificate of such decree on a form furnished by the State
20 Registrar of Vital Statistics.

21 2. Before the fifteenth day of each calendar month, the
22 attorney or child-placing agency handling the adoption or annulment
23 of adoption shall forward to the State Registrar the certificates
24 prepared by the attorney or agency handling the adoption or

1 annulment of adoption during the preceding calendar month. If a
2 biological parent has filed an affidavit of nondisclosure pursuant
3 to Section 7503-2.5 of this title, the attorney or agency handling
4 the adoption shall attach the affidavit of nondisclosure to the
5 certificate of such decree and forward it with the certificate to
6 the State Registrar.

7 B. The State Registrar, upon receipt of a certificate of a
8 decree of adoption, shall prepare a supplementary birth certificate
9 in the new name of the adopted person with the names of the adoptive
10 parents listed as the parents. The city and county of the place of
11 birth, the hospital, and the name of the physician shall not be
12 changed from the information provided on the original certificate of
13 birth. If the adopted person was born in a foreign country, ~~the~~
14 ~~State Registrar shall prepare a certificate of foreign birth and the~~
15 adopted child's United States citizenship status is not in question,
16 such as where the adoptive parents present a Certificate of
17 Citizenship from the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services, the
18 State Department of Health shall issue a birth certificate without
19 language which may place the child's citizenship status into
20 question. If the adopted person's citizenship is in question, the
21 State Department of Health shall prepare a certificate of foreign
22 birth. The State Department of Health shall promulgate rules which
23 reflect this subsection in the Oklahoma Administrative Code and make
24 any internal policy changes to reflect this subsection.

1 C. The State Registrar shall seal and file the original
2 certificate of birth, if any, with the certificate of decree of
3 adoption and the affidavit of nondisclosure, if any, attached. Upon
4 receipt of a certificate of a court order of annulment of adoption,
5 the State Registrar shall restore the original certificate to its
6 original place in the files.

7 D. For adoptions finalized after November 1, 1997, the State
8 Registrar shall provide an adopted person, at that person's request,
9 with an uncertified copy of the person's original certificate of
10 birth at any time after the adopted person's eighteenth birthday, if
11 all of the following conditions are met:

12 1. The adopted person has submitted satisfactory proof of
13 identity;

14 2. The adopted person has submitted an affidavit in which the
15 adopted person states under oath that such person does not have a
16 biological sibling under the age of eighteen (18) who is currently
17 in an adoptive family and whose location is known to the adopted
18 person; and

19 3. The State Registrar has ascertained that at the time of the
20 request there is no unrevoked affidavit of nondisclosure by a
21 biological parent on file. However, if an unrevoked affidavit of
22 nondisclosure from only one biological parent is on file and the
23 other conditions have been met, the State Registrar may release to
24 the adopted person an uncertified copy of the person's original

1 certificate of birth after deleting from that copy of the birth
2 certificate any identifying information regarding the biological
3 parent who filed the unrevoked affidavit of nondisclosure,
4 including, if necessary, the original surname of the adopted person.

5 E. The State Registrar shall not disclose an original
6 certificate of birth or other sealed adoption records, except as
7 permitted by subsection D of this section, or upon order of the
8 court for good cause shown pursuant to Section 7505-1.1 of this
9 title.

10 SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2022.

11 Passed the House of Representatives the 21st day of March, 2022.

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Presiding Officer of the House
of Representatives

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Passed the Senate the ___ day of _____, 2022.

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