

STATE OF OKLAHOMA

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SENATE BILL 570

By: Nice

AS INTRODUCED

An Act relating to hospitals; imposing certain duties on hospital in cases of fetal death or miscarriage; requiring the State Department of Health to develop and publish certain form; providing for codification; and providing an effective date.

BE IT ENACTED BY THE PEOPLE OF THE STATE OF OKLAHOMA:

SECTION 1. NEW LAW A new section of law to be codified in the Oklahoma Statutes as Section 1-702g of Title 63, unless there is created a duplication in numbering, reads as follows:

A. When a fetal death occurs in a hospital, or when a woman presents to a hospital for treatment of a miscarriage, the hospital shall, prior to discharge:

1. Provide the woman or her designee with a physical or digital copy of the form described in subsection B of this section; and

2. Ensure that a hospital staff member verbally communicates that the woman or family may request the certificates listed on the form through the process described on the form.

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B. The State Department of Health shall, for the purposes of this section, develop and publish on its public website a form that:

1. Explains the process for requesting a fetal death certificate under Section 1-318 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes and the process for requesting a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth under Section 1-318.2 of Title 63 of the Oklahoma Statutes; and

2. Provides contact information for the Division of Vital Records of the Department.

SECTION 2. This act shall become effective November 1, 2025.

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