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To: Judiciary, Division A;  
Public Health and Welfare

SENATE BILL NO. 2350

1 AN ACT TO CREATE NEW SECTION 41-57-33, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF  
2 1972, TO PROVIDE FOR THE STATE REGISTRAR TO ISSUE A CERTIFICATE OF  
3 FOREIGN BIRTH WITHOUT JUDICIAL PROCEEDINGS IF CERTAIN CRITERIA ARE  
4 SATISFIED; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

5 BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF MISSISSIPPI:

6 **SECTION 1.** The following shall be codified as Section  
7 41-57-33, Mississippi Code of 1972:

8 41-57-33. (1) A child who has automatically acquired United  
9 States citizenship following a foreign adoption and who possesses  
10 a Certificate of Citizenship in accordance with the Child  
11 Citizenship Act, CAA, Public Law 106-395, shall be exempt from the  
12 provisions of Sections 93-17-301 through 93-17-307, which provide  
13 for a judicial proceeding to acquire a birth certificate following  
14 certain foreign adoptions.

15 (2) The State Registrar, upon written request, shall prepare  
16 a Certificate of Foreign Birth reflecting the actual date and  
17 place of birth for a child who was born in a foreign country,  
18 adopted by a United States citizen, and who has automatically  
19 acquired citizenship in accordance with the federal Child



20 Citizenship Act upon the production of all of the following  
21 documents:

22 (a) The child's Certificate of Citizenship;

23 (b) A certified copy of the child's foreign birth  
24 certificate and certified English translation;

25 (c) The original documents related to the foreign  
26 adoption certified by the United States Embassy abroad and  
27 certified English translation;

28 (d) The social security card of the child;

29 (e) A valid government-issued picture identification of  
30 parent or parents, such as a passport or driver's license; and

31 (f) Proof of residency of the parent or parents in the  
32 State of Mississippi.

33 (3) The State Registrar shall develop any necessary forms  
34 for adoptive parents to submit in order to request a Certificate  
35 of Foreign Birth.

36 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from  
37 and after July 1, 2022.

