

By: Senator(s) Hill

To: Public Health and
Welfare

SENATE BILL NO. 2164

1 AN ACT TO AMEND SECTION 41-57-14, MISSISSIPPI CODE OF 1972,
2 TO REQUIRE THE BUREAU OF VITAL STATISTICS TO INCLUDE ON BIRTH
3 CERTIFICATES THE CHILD'S NAME, RACE, SEX, DATE OF BIRTH, PLACE OF
4 BIRTH, AND EACH PARENT'S NAME, RACE, AGE, PLACE OF BIRTH AND
5 OCCUPATION; AND FOR RELATED PURPOSES.

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

7 **SECTION 1.** Section 41-57-14, Mississippi Code of 1972, is
8 amended as follows:

9 41-57-14. (1) If the mother was married at the time of
10 either conception or birth, or at any time between conception and
11 birth, the name of the husband shall be entered on the certificate
12 of birth as the father of the child. The social security number
13 of each parent of a child born within this state shall be
14 furnished to the local registrar of vital records at the time of
15 filing the certificate of birth, but such information shall not
16 appear on the portion of the certificate to be issued as a
17 certified copy. Such information shall be sent to the Office of
18 Vital Records Registration of the State Department of Health along
19 with the certificate of birth and shall be retained by the office.



20 The information shall not be disclosed to any person except as
21 authorized by * * * subsection (2) of this section or as allowed
22 by Section 41-57-2.

23 (2) The Office of Vital Records Registration shall make
24 available to the Division of Child Support Enforcement of the
25 Mississippi Department of Human Services information concerning
26 the names and social security numbers of the parents obtained
27 under the requirements of * * * subsection (1) of this section for
28 the use in establishing paternity or enforcing child support
29 obligations. Information obtained by the Division of Child
30 Support Enforcement under this section may be used in any action
31 or proceeding before any court, administrative tribunal, or other
32 proceeding for the purpose of establishing paternity, establishing
33 a child support obligation, collecting child support or locating
34 persons owing such an obligation.

35 (3) The Bureau of Vital Statistics shall include the
36 following information on all birth certificates:

37 (a) The child's name, race, sex, date of birth and
38 place of birth (being the actual town, district and county of said
39 child's birth, except where the child is born in a penal or mental
40 institution where the name of the county shall be sufficient); and

41 (b) Each parent's name, race, age, place of birth and
42 occupation.

43 **SECTION 2.** This act shall take effect and be in force from
44 and after July 1, 2024.

