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**TRANSMITTAL SHEET FOR NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION**

Control 420 Alabama Department of Public Health

Rule Number 420-7-1-.20

Rule Title Amendment or Correction of Divorce Certificates

New  XXXX Amend  Repeal  Adopt by Reference

Would the absence of the proposed rule significantly harm or endanger the public health, welfare or safety? No

Is there a reasonable relationship between the state's police power and the protection of the public health, safety or welfare? Yes

Is there another, less restrictive method of regulation available that could adequately protect the public? No

Does the proposed rule have the effect of directly or indirectly increasing the costs of any goods or services involved and, if so, to what degree? No

Is the increase in cost, if any, more harmful to the public than the harm that might result from the absence of the proposed rule? No

Are all facts of the rulemaking process designed solely for the purpose of and so they have as their primary effect, the protection of the public? Yes

Does the proposed action relate to or affect in any manner any litigation which the agency is a party to concerning the subject matter of the proposed rule? No

Does the proposed rule have an economic impact? No

If the proposed rule has an economic impact, the proposed rule is required to be accompanied by a fiscal note prepared in accordance with subsection (f) of §41-22-23, Code of Alabama, 1975.

**Certification of Authorized Official**

I certify that the attached proposed rule has been proposed in full compliance with the requirements of Chapter 22, Title 41, Code of Alabama, 1975, and that it conforms to all applicable filing requirements of the Administrative Procedure Division of the Legislative Services Agency.

Signature of Certifying Officer

P. R. ... Date 8/18/22

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**STATE BOARD OF HEALTH  
NOTICE OF INTENDED ACTION**

**AGENCY NAME:** Alabama Department of Public Health

**RULE NUMBER AND TITLE:** 420-7-1-.20, Amendment or Correction of Divorce Certificates

**INTENDED ACTION:** To amend the current rule.

**SUBSTANCE OF PROPOSED ACTION:** To remove and replace outdated text.

**TIME, PLACE, AND MANNER OF PRESENTING VIEWS:** A public hearing will be held on September 15, 2022, at 9:00 a.m., at the RSA Tower, Suite 1540, 201 Monroe Street, Montgomery, AL 36104.

**FINAL DATE FOR COMMENTS AND COMPLETION OF NOTICE:** Written or oral comments will be received until the close of the record at 5:00 p.m. on October 5, 2022. All comments and requests for copies of the proposed amendments should be addressed to the contact person listed below.

**CONTACT PERSON AT AGENCY:** Nicole H. Rushing, Center for Health Statistics, Alabama Department of Public Health, P.O. Box 5625, Montgomery, Alabama 36103-5625, Telephone Number: (334) 206-2679.



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P. Brian Hale, Agency Secretary

420-7-1-.20     Amendment or Correction of Divorce  
                  Certificates

(1) Corrections or amendments to divorce certificates must be processed through the circuit court that granted the divorce in the form of an order making the correction and shall contain at least the following information:

- (a) Names of husband the spouses;
- ~~(b) Name of wife;~~
- (be) Date the divorce was granted;
- (cd) Trial docket number;
- (de) Identification of item with incorrect information; and
- (ef) Correct information.

(2) Certified copies of the order making the correction issued by the circuit court may be filed with the divorce certificate in the Center for Health Statistics and will be incorporated as part of that divorce certificate. When certified copies of the divorce certificate are subsequently issued by the Center for Health Statistics, a copy of the order making the correction will be appended to the certificate.

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**Statutory Authority:** Code of Alabama, 1975, §22-9A-2, §22-9A-18, §22-9A-19.

**History:** Repealed and Replaced: Filed June 20, 2007; effective July 25, 2007. Amended: Filed XX-XX-XXXX; effective XX-XX-XXXX.