

LEGISLATIVE HISTORY CHECKLIST

NJSA: 26: 8-28

(Birth
certificates--include
parents social
security numbers)

LAWS OF: 1989

CHAPTER: 230

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Sponsor(s): Menendez and others

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Senate: Institutions, Health & Welfare

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ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR
ASSEMBLY, No. 4086

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

ADOPTED MAY 18, 1989

Sponsored by Assemblymen MENENDEZ and KENNY

1 AN ACT concerning birth certificates and amending R.S.26:8-28.

3 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the*
State of New Jersey:

5 1. R.S.26:8-28 is amended to read as follows:

7 26:8-28. a. Within [5] five days after each birth, there shall be
filed with the local registrar of the district in which the birth
occurred a certificate of [such] the birth filled out with durable
9 black or blue ink in a legible manner.

11 b. ¹[The] In accordance with the provisions of the federal
"Family Support Act of 1988," Pub.L.100-485, the¹ local
13 registrar shall record the Social Security numbers of both parents
on a separate form provided or approved by the State registrar
pursuant to subsection c. of R.S.26:8-24¹, and the State registrar
15 shall transmit those numbers to the State IV-D agency for the
enforcement of child support orders in effect in the State. For
17 the purposes of this subsection, "State IV-D agency" means the
agency in the Department of Human Services designated to
19 administer the Title IV-D Child Support Program.

21 c. The State registrar shall require each parent to provide his
Social Security number in accordance with procedures established
23 by the State registrar. The Social Security numbers furnished
pursuant to this section shall be used exclusively for child support
enforcement purposes¹.

25 (cf: P.L.1965, c.78, s.50)

27 2. This act shall take effect ¹[immediately] on November 1,
1990¹.

EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the
above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

Matter enclosed in superscript numerals has been adopted as follows:

¹ Senate SIH committee amendments adopted August 3, 1989.

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HEALTH

State Officers and Boards

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Requires reporting of parents' Social Security numbers to local

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registrars.

ASSEMBLY, No. 4086

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

INTRODUCED JANUARY 10, 1989

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By Assemblymen MENENDEZ, KENNY, Kronick, Imprevduto,
Charles and Doria

1 AN ACT concerning birth certificates and amending R.S.26:8-29.

3 BE IT ENACTED *by the Senate and General Assembly of the*
State of New Jersey:

5 1. R.S.26:8-29 is amended to read as follows:

7 R.S.26:8-29. The certificate of birth shall contain the Social
9 Security number of the child's mother and father, as well as,
such items as shall be listed on birth certificate forms provided
or approved by the State registrar under authority of [section]
11 subsection c. of R.S.26:8-24 [(c) of the Revised Statutes].

(cf: P.L.1968, c.78, s.51)

13 2. This act shall take effect immediately.

15 STATEMENT

17 This bill requires that birth certificates issued in the State
19 contain the Social Security numbers of the child's parents. This
has been done in other states and would provide the State
21 registrar's with useful identifying information about a child's
parents.

23 HEALTH

25 State Officers and Boards

27 Requires birth certificate to contain parents' Social Security
numbers.

EXPLANATION--Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the
above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted in the law.

Matter underlined thus is new matter.

ASSEMBLY HEALTH AND HUMAN RESOURCES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

ASSEMBLY, No. 4086

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MAY 18, 1989

The Assembly Health and Human Resources Committee favorably reports an Assembly Committee Substitute for Assembly Bill No. 4086.

The committee substitute provides that when a birth certificate is filed with a local registrar of vital statistics, the local registrar shall, to the extent possible, record the Social Security numbers of both parents on a separate form provided or approved by the State registrar of vital statistics.

The substitute is intended to comply with the provisions of the federal "Family Support Act of 1988," Pub.L.100-485, which stipulates that after November 1, 1990, states must require that parents report their Social Security numbers at the time of a child's birth, but that these numbers may not appear on the birth certificate itself. Under Pub.L.100-485, a state may use these numbers only for child support enforcement purposes unless the state adopted a statute allowing wider disclosure of this information prior to January 1, 1975.

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SENATE INSTITUTIONS, HEALTH AND WELFARE COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE SUBSTITUTE FOR

ASSEMBLY, No. 4086

with committee amendments

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: AUGUST 3, 1989

The Senate Institutions, Health and Welfare Committee favorably reports the Assembly Committee Substitute for Assembly Bill No. 4086 with committee amendments.

As amended by committee, this committee substitute provides that when a birth certificate is filed with a local registrar of vital statistics, the local registrar shall record the Social Security numbers of both parents on a separate form provided or approved by the State registrar of vital statistics. The substitute further provides that the State registrar shall transmit those numbers to the State IV-D agency for the enforcement of child support orders in effect in the State. The State registrar is authorized to require each parent of a newborn child to provide his Social Security number for the purposes of this substitute. The substitute takes effect on November 1, 1990, as required by federal law.

The substitute is intended to comply with the provisions of the federal "Family Support Act of 1988," Pub.L.100-485, which stipulates that after November 1, 1990, states must require that parents report their Social Security numbers at the time of a child's birth, but that these numbers may not appear on the birth certificate itself. Under Pub.L.100-485, a state may use these numbers only for child support enforcement purposes unless the state adopted a statute allowing wider disclosure of this information prior to January 1, 1975.

The committee amended the substitute to clarify that: the provision and recording of a parent's Social Security number is pursuant to the "Family Support Act of 1988"; the State registrar would be responsible for transmitting the Social Security numbers to the State IV-D agency; and the Social Security numbers furnished pursuant to the substitute shall be used exclusively for child support enforcement purposes. The amendments also delay the effective date of the substitute until November 1, 1990 in order to conform the provisions of the substitute to federal law.