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# HOUSE BILL NO. 581

## 93RD GENERAL ASSEMBLY

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### AN ACT

To amend chapter 42, RSMo, by adding thereto one new section relating to fees for copies of veterans' death certificates.

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*Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the state of Missouri, as follows:*

Section A. Chapter 42, RSMo, is amended by adding thereto one new section, to be known as section 42.305, to read as follows:

**42.305. 1. Notwithstanding the provisions of section 193.265, RSMo, no person shall charge an immediate family member of a veteran a fee for any copies of the death certificate of that veteran if such copies are to be used by the family member to file for or access benefits.**

**2. The family member when requesting to receive one or more copies of the veteran's death certificate without charge shall provide a written notarized statement specifying the exact number of copies needed and designating the number of those copies that will be used to file for or access benefits.**

**3. As used in this section "immediate family member" means a veteran's spouse residing in the veteran's household, brothers and sisters of the whole blood or of the half blood, children, including adopted children and stepchildren, parents, and grandparents.**

EXPLANATION — Matter enclosed in bold-faced brackets [thus] in the above bill is not enacted and is intended to be omitted from the law. Matter in **bold-face** type in the above bill is proposed language.