STATE OF NEW YORK

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IN ASSEMBLY

January 9, 2023

Introduced by M. of A. WEPRIN -- read once and referred to the Committee on Health

AN ACT to amend the public health law, in relation to birth certificates

The People of the State of New York, represented in Senate and Assembly, do enact as follows:

Section 1. Subdivision 2 of section 4135 of the public health law, as amended by section 7 of part L of chapter 56 of the laws of 2020, is amended and a new subdivision 4 is added to read as follows:

2. The name**, if known,** of the alleged father of a child born out of wedlock shall [~~not~~] be entered on the certificate of birth [~~prior to filing without (i) an acknowledgment of parentage pursuant to section one hundred eleven-k of the social services law or section four thousand one hundred thirty-five-b of this article executed by both the mother and alleged father, and filed with the record of birth; or (ii) notification having been received by, or proper proof having been filed with, the record of birth by the clerk of a court of competent jurisdiction or the parents, or their attorneys of a judgment, order or decree relating to parentage~~].

4. A father listed on a child's birth certificate may contest the paternity of such child pursuant to section one hundred eleven-k of the social services law. Upon adjudication that such person listed on the child's birth certificate is not the father, a new birth certificate shall be issued pursuant to subdivision one of section four thousand one hundred thirty-eight of this article without such person's name.

§ 2. This act shall take effect on the thirtieth day after it shall have become a law.

EXPLANATION--Matter in *italics* (underscored) is new; matter in brackets [-] is old law to be omitted.

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