§ 4123. Vital statistics; registrars; term of office; oath; removal. 1. Unless the charter of the city or village shall provide otherwise, the term of office of a registrar of vital statistics shall be four years, except that in a town or village of the first class operating under the general town or village law, the term of office of registrar of vital statistics shall be coterminous with the term of office of the town or village clerk, as the case may be. The term of office of a county or part-county registrar shall be coterminous with that of the county commissioner of health or public health director. If there be no county commissioner of health or public health director, then the term of office of such county or part-county registrar shall be as determined by the board of supervisors of such county.

2. Each registrar of vital statistics shall hold office until his successor is appointed and shall have qualified.

3. Any registrar, deputy registrar or subregistrar of vital statistics, who fails or neglects to discharge efficiently the duties of his office in accordance with the provisions of this article or the regulations of the public health council, or to make prompt and complete returns of births and deaths as required thereby, shall be removed forthwith by the commissioner or by the person or board authorized by law to appoint such registrar, deputy registrar or subregistrar. Such other penalties may be imposed upon him as are provided by this article.

4. Notwithstanding any other provisions of the laws of this state, each registrar, deputy registrar and subregistrar of vital statistics shall file his oath of office with the clerk or clerks of the county or counties in which his registration district is located.