§ 4172. Records; registrar to transmit through health officers. 1. When the commissioner shall have so ordered, each registrar shall transmit, at such times as the commissioner shall direct, to designated local health units or officials copies of original birth and death certificates which have been registered in such primary registration district, and the statistical abstract of fetal death.

2. Each designated local health unit or official receiving copies of original certificates shall retain such copies thereof pursuant to subdivision one of this section as confidential records subject to such further regulation to assure such confidentiality as may be prescribed by the commissioner.