## 144.221 DEATH REGISTRATION.

Subdivision 1. When and where to file. A death record for each death which occurs in the state shall be filed with the state registrar within five days after death and prior to final disposition.

Subd. 2. **Rules governing death registration.** The commissioner of health shall establish in rule an orderly mechanism for the registration of deaths including at least a designation for who must file the death record, a procedure for the registration of deaths in moving conveyances, and provision to include cause and certification of death and assurance of registration prior to final disposition.

Subd. 3. When no body is found. When circumstances suggest that a death has occurred although a dead body cannot be produced to confirm the fact of death, a death record shall not be registered until a court has adjudicated the fact of death.

**History:** 1978 c 699 s 10; 1Sp2001 c 9 art 15 s 18,19,32; 2002 c 379 art 1 s 113; 2005 c 106 s 56