

COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH
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FISCAL NOTE

L.R. No.: 2727-02
Bill No.: SB 799
Subject: Health Care; Health Department; Hospitals; Medical Procedures and Personnel;
Vital Statistics
Type: Original
Date: January 8, 2004

FISCAL SUMMARY

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON GENERAL REVENUE FUND			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Total Estimated Net Effect on General Revenue Fund	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON STATE FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> State Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

Numbers within parentheses: () indicate costs or losses.
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ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON FEDERAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Total Estimated Net Effect on <u>All</u> Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0

ESTIMATED NET EFFECT ON LOCAL FUNDS			
FUND AFFECTED	FY 2005	FY 2006	FY 2007
Local Government	\$0	\$0	\$0

FISCAL ANALYSIS

ASSUMPTION

Officials from the **Department of Health and Senior Services (DOH)** assume they could utilize the same format and information from the established fetal death report to provide certification statements relating to the event as required by the proposal. DOH assumes there would be no fiscal impact to implement this portion of the proposal.

The DOH states there would be a need to create a totally new certificate to eliminate the cause of death information that is an established item on the fetal report, and to fulfill the requirements of section 193.085 relating to a live birth that is outlined in the proposal. DOH estimates the cost of printing forms, designing and printing handbooks, postage, and programming costs would be \$52,4950 in FY 05; \$10,598 in FY 06; and \$10,915 in FY 07.

Oversight assumes DOH may have some minimal costs, but those could be absorbed with current resources.

Officials from the **City of St. Louis and Cole County** did not respond to our fiscal note request.

<u>FISCAL IMPACT - State Government</u>	FY 2005 (10 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>
<u>FISCAL IMPACT - Local Government</u>	FY 2005 (10 Mo.)	FY 2006	FY 2007
	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>

FISCAL IMPACT - Small Business

No direct fiscal impact to small businesses would be expected as a result of this proposal.

DESCRIPTION

This proposal allows the State Registrar to issue a certification of stillbirth to the parent or parents of a stillborn child.

A "stillborn child" is defined as a dead fetus that was the product of human conception of twenty weeks gestation or more, calculated from the date the last normal menstrual period began to the date of delivery, and that was not born alive.

The certification of stillbirth form must satisfy the formatting and filing requirements of Section 193.085, RSMo, for live births. The certification must be filed with the local registrar within seven days of the delivery. If the parent or parents of the stillborn child do not wish to provide a name, then any references to the name on the certification will remain blank.

If a stillbirth has not been registered within one year of the date of delivery, then a certification marked "delayed" can be filed and registered along with any other requirements necessary to substantiate the facts surrounding the stillbirth. A certification of stillbirth may be issued to any individual having a direct and tangible interest in the record. The certification shall include the statement "This is not proof of a live birth".

An individual may file an application for certification of stillbirth for any birth that resulted in stillbirth that occurred prior to August 28, 2004

This legislation is not federally mandated, would not duplicate any other program and would not require additional capital improvements or rental space.

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SOURCES OF INFORMATION

Department of Health and Senior Services

Not Responding: City of St. Louis and Cole County

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Director
January 8, 2004