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Fiscal Note On: **HB 154** HLS 17RS 914

Bill Text Version: **ENGROSSED**

Opp. Chamb. Action:

Proposed Amd.:

Sub. Bill For.:

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Subject: Autopsy-Related Documents Provide Free of Charge	

CORONERS EG NO IMPACT See Note Page 1 of 1
 Authorizes the disclosure of autopsy-related documents to the Department of Children and Family Services at no charge

Upon request of the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS), proposed law provides state coroners to release at no charge the following information to the department regarding a deceased minor while the final autopsy is pending: name, age, preliminary diagnosis, and manner of death.

EXPENDITURES	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	5 -YEAR TOTAL
State Gen. Fd.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Agy. Self-Gen.	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	\$0
Annual Total	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0

REVENUES	2017-18	2018-19	2019-20	2020-21	2021-22	5 -YEAR TOTAL
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EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental expenditures as a result of this measure. The proposed legislation provides requires state coroners to release the name, age, preliminary diagnosis and manner of death of a deceased minor upon request from the Department of Children and Family Services (DCFS). With that information, DCFS will be able to investigate any reports of child abuse and/neglect. If the final autopsy report is required, DCFS will continue to reimburse state coroners according to the Uniform Fee Schedule for public records. Information provide by the LA State Coroners Association indicates that providing the required information under this measure can be accomplished with existing resources, which is anticipated to be minimal.

REVENUE EXPLANATION

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate Dual Referral Rules
 13.5.1 >= \$100,000 Annual Fiscal Cost {S&H}
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change {S&H}

House
 6.8(F)(1) >= \$100,000 SGF Fiscal Cost {H & S}
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease {S}

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