
OLR Bill Analysis

HB 5274

AN ACT CONCERNING THE FEE FOR A CREMATION CERTIFICATE FOR DECEASED PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF EIGHTEEN.

SUMMARY

This bill exempts a decedent's estate from having to pay the \$150 cremation certificate fee for cremating the body of a person under the age of eighteen.

Existing law, unchanged by the bill, (1) exempts from the fee the cremation of a stillborn fetus and (2) otherwise allows the Office of Policy and Management secretary, at the Chief Medical Examiner's request, to waive the fee.

By law, cremation certificates are generally required to cremate a body. A medical examiner or authorized designee must complete the certificate, stating that they have inquired into the cause and manner of death and believe that no further examination or judicial inquiry is needed.

EFFECTIVE DATE: July 1, 2022

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Health Committee

Joint Favorable

Yea 31 Nay 0 (03/11/2022)