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HB-5274

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

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 23 \$	FY 24 \$
Resources of the General Fund	GF - Revenue Loss	Less than 30,000	Less than 30,000

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill, which exempts a decedent's estate from having to pay the \$150 fee for a cremation certificate for the body of an individual under the age of eighteen, results in an estimated loss of General Fund revenue of less than \$30,000 annually. It is estimated there were approximately 174 cremation certificates issued by the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner's Office in calendar year 2021 for the bodies of individuals under the age of eighteen.

Existing law exempts a decedent's estate from having to pay a fee for a cremation certificate of a stillborn fetus, and otherwise allows the Office of Policy and Management secretary, at the Chief Medical Examiner's request, to waive this fee.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to the number of bodies of individuals under the age of eighteen requiring cremation certificates in the out

years.