

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**FISCAL NOTE, 81ST LEGISLATIVE REGULAR SESSION**

**April 27, 2009**

**TO:** Honorable Lois W. Kolkhorst, Chair, House Committee on Public Health

**FROM:** John S. O'Brien, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB2677** by Davis, Yvonne (Relating to the amendment of a birth certificate.), **As Introduced**

**Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds** for HB2677, As Introduced: an impact of \$0 through the biennium ending August 31, 2011.

The bill would make no appropriation but could provide the legal basis for an appropriation of funds to implement the provisions of the bill.

**General Revenue-Related Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

Fiscal Year	Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds
2010	\$0
2011	\$0
2012	\$0
2013	\$0
2014	\$0

**All Funds, Five-Year Impact:**

Fiscal Year	Probable Savings/(Cost) from <i>Vital Statistics Account</i> 19	Probable Revenue Gain/ (Loss) from <i>Vital Statistics Account</i> 19	Change in Number of State Employees from FY 2009
2010	(\$78,685)	\$115,865	1.5
2011	(\$98,297)	\$122,423	2.0
2012	(\$98,529)	\$122,423	2.0
2013	(\$98,769)	\$122,423	2.0
2014	(\$99,017)	\$122,423	2.0

**Fiscal Analysis**

The bill would require the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) to notify an individual who submitted an amendment to a birth, death or fetal death certificate within 30 days of submission whether the amendment has been accepted for filing.

**Methodology**

DSHS estimates that raising the amendment fee by \$7.42 in fiscal year 2010 and by \$7.84 in fiscal year 2011 would cover any cost associated with processing the amendments. It is estimated DSHS will receive 15,615 requests for amendments each fiscal year. DSHS estimates a revenue gain of approximately \$115,865 in fiscal year 2010 and \$122,423 in fiscal year 2011 and beyond.

It is assumed that 1.5 full-time equivalents (FTEs) would be needed in fiscal year 2010 and 2.0 FTEs would be needed in fiscal year 2011 and beyond to process the notifications. The cost associated with hiring the FTEs is estimated to be \$78,685 in fiscal year 2010 and approximately \$98,297 in fiscal year 2011 and beyond; these costs include salary, benefits, and other associated expenditures. It is assumed that the revenue gain to the Vital Statistics Account would be expended to cover the costs.

### **Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 537 State Health Services, Department of

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