

**LEGISLATIVE BUDGET BOARD**  
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**April 13, 2015**

**TO:** Honorable Myra Crownover, Chair, House Committee on Public Health

**FROM:** Ursula Parks, Director, Legislative Budget Board

**IN RE: HB1145** by Raney (Relating to the establishment of an information clearinghouse to facilitate embryo adoption and the provision by physicians of embryo adoption information to certain patients.), **As Introduced**

**Estimated Two-year Net Impact to General Revenue Related Funds** for HB1145, As Introduced: a negative impact of (\$1,207,211) through the biennium ending August 31, 2017.

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:**

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Probable Net Positive/(Negative) Impact to General Revenue Related Funds</b>
2016	(\$928,624)
2017	(\$278,587)
2018	(\$278,587)
2019	(\$278,587)
2020	(\$278,587)

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

<b>Fiscal Year</b>	<b>Probable (Cost) from General Revenue Fund 1</b>
2016	(\$928,624)
2017	(\$278,587)
2018	(\$278,587)
2019	(\$278,587)
2020	(\$278,587)

## **Fiscal Analysis**

The bill would require the Department of State Health Services (DSHS) to establish and maintain an embryo clearinghouse with specific consent requirements and states that the executive commissioner of the Health and Human Services Commission (HHSC) shall adopt rules related to the establishment and maintenance of the clearinghouse. The bill would take effect on September 1, 2015.

## **Methodology**

It is assumed that development by DSHS of the required clearinghouse will take 12 months and will be outsourced through the standard Request for Proposal process. It is estimated that the development of the clearinghouse will cost \$928,624 in General Revenue Funds in fiscal year 2016 for development. This cost is estimated assuming 2,880 hours total for non-developers at a rate of \$125 per hour, 3,840 hours for developers at a rate of \$103 per hour, and hardware and other expenses at a total of \$173,104. The ongoing maintenance cost for the clearinghouse is estimated to be \$278,587 in General Revenue Funds annually from fiscal year 2017-2020.

HHSC indicates that implementation of the provisions of the bill can be absorbed within existing resources.

## **Technology**

The technology impact is assumed to be \$928,624 in fiscal year 2016 and \$278,587 in fiscal year 2017 for development and maintenance of the clearinghouse.

## **Local Government Impact**

No fiscal implication to units of local government is anticipated.

**Source Agencies:** 529 Health and Human Services Commission, 537 State Health Services, Department of

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