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Bill Number: H.3231 Introduced on January 12, 2021
Author: Henegan
Subject: Unregistered Births
Requestor: House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs
RFA Analyst(s): Payne
Impact Date: January 22, 2021

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill will not have an expenditure impact on the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) to allow individuals to use a family Bible or genealogical records to document the date of birth to obtain a birth certificate. The agency will be able to perform these duties with existing resources.

Explanation of Fiscal Impact

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State Expenditure

This bill provides an additional method by which unregistered births in this state may be documented for the purpose of obtaining a birth certificate. Currently, the state registrar of vital statistics issues regulations governing the process to document an unregistered birth and obtain a birth certificate. This bill would allow persons whose birth was not registered to use an inscribed family Bible or genealogical records to document the date of birth. In addition to the required documentation, a person is required to execute a sworn statement affirming the date of birth and must provide other corroborating documentation such as medical, financial, or governmental records reflecting the person's date of birth. DHEC indicates they will be able to accomplish the duties enumerated in this bill with their existing appropriations and staff. Therefore, this bill will not have an expenditure impact on the agency.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A

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