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House Bill 5122 (as reported without amendment)

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House Committee: Commerce

Senate Committee: Economic Development, International Trade and Regulatory Affairs

CONTENT

The bill would amend Part 28 of the Public Health Code, which pertains to vital records such as birth and death registrations, to specify that subject to any other provision of the part, a person who had the authority to make arrangements for a dead human body under Part 28 also would have the authoriv to request a permit for the disinterment of a dead human body notwithstanding any objection by, or lack of consent from, a person who owned or possessed ownership rights over the place of repose. A person who owned or possessed ownership rights over the place of repose could not bear any cost associated with the disinternment unless that person initiated the disinterment or was otherwise legally obligated for the costs of the disinterment.

The bill specifies that it would not void or otherwise affect a gift made under Part 101 of the Code. the uniform anatomical gift act.

Part 28 of the Code currently requires a person, before exhuming a dead human body, to obtain a permit for disinterment and reinterment from the local pubic health department in whose jurisdiction the body is interred.

Proposed MCL 333.2851 Legislative Analyst: L. Burghardt

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

Date Completed: 5-9-96 Fiscal Analyst: P. Graham