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Senate Bill 799 (as reported without amendment)
Sponsor: Senator Robert Geake
Committee: Families, Mental Health and Human Services

CONTENT

The bill would amend Public Act 128 of 1887, which requires a civil license in order to marry, to require that blank forms for a marriage license and certificate provide spaces for the entry of identifying information of the parties, including their Social Security numbers. (The Act requires that the State Registrar appointed by the Director of the Department of Community Health furnish the forms and registration books to county clerks; the forms must provide spaces for items prescribed in rules promulgated by the Director.)

MCL 551.102

Legislative Analyst: P. Affholter

FISCAL IMPACT

The bills would result in an indeterminate increase in costs to State and local registrars. According to the Department of Community Health, if the intent of the bills is simply to maintain a paper record, then the increase in costs to the State would be approximately \$25,000 for revising and reprinting forms. If, however, the intent is to maintain the Social Security number in an electronic form, then there would be additional one-time costs of approximately \$45,000 to revise software and an annual increase in data entry costs of approximately \$5,000. Local registrars would experience similar increases in expense.

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