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House Bill 4242 (Substitute H-2 as reported without amendment)  
Sponsor: Representative Scott Hummel  
House Committee: Judiciary  
Senate Committee: Judiciary

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Public Health Code to allow a probate court, at the request of an adopting parent when filing a delayed registration of birth, to enter a new name for the child on the delayed registration. After the filing of a delayed registration of birth that included a name change, the new name would be the adopted child's legal name.

Under the Code, if a child who was born outside the United States, a U.S. territory, or Canada, is adopted by a Michigan resident under Michigan law or the laws of a foreign country, the probate court, on the adopting parent's motion, may file a delayed registration of birth on a form provided by the Department of Community Health (DCH). The delayed registration must contain the date and place of birth and other facts specified by the DCH. If the date and place of birth cannot be documented from foreign records or a medical assessment indicates that the date of birth stated in immigrant records is incorrect, the court must determine the facts and establish a date and place of birth and may file a delayed registration of birth.

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### **FISCAL IMPACT**

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

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