



**Senate Fiscal Agency**  
**P. O. Box 30036**  
**Lansing, Michigan 48909-7536**

BILL



ANALYSIS

**Telephone: (517) 373-5383**  
**Fax: (517) 373-1986**

House Bill 4042 (as reported without amendment)  
Sponsor: Representative Tim Kelly  
House Committee: Families, Children, and Seniors  
Senate Committee: Families, Seniors and Human Services

### **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Social Welfare Act to require the Department of Human Services to perform monthly checks to determine whether bridge card recipients were deceased, and deny or terminate access if a recipient were deceased.

The bill would require the Department to use the United States Social Security Death Index Database to determine whether a recipient was deceased.

Currently, Section 10e[1] of the Act requires the Department, on a monthly basis, to perform an incarceration match to determine whether a bridge card recipient is incarcerated. If a recipient is incarcerated, the Department may not issue a bridge card to that recipient, and must terminate bridge card access if that recipient already has a bridge card.

The bill would repeal Section 10e[1] and re-enact its provisions, along with the requirement that the Department determine whether recipients were deceased, in a new section.

MCL 400.110f et al.

Legislative Analyst: Glenn Steffens

### **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill would codify the Department's current policy and therefore would not result in a fiscal impact on State or local government.

Date Completed: 5-9-13

Fiscal Analyst: Frances Carley