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STATEMENT OF ESTIMATED FISCAL IMPACT
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Bill Number: H. 3595 Introduced on January 10, 2023
Author: Henegan
Subject: Delayed Birth Certificates
Requestor: House Medical, Military, Public, and Municipal Affairs
RFA Analyst(s): Griffith
Impact Date: January 12, 2023

Fiscal Impact Summary

This bill allows a person born in South Carolina whose birth was not registered to use an inscribed family Bible or genealogical records to document the date of birth by executing a sworn statement affirming the date of birth and providing other corroborating documentation such as medical, financial, or governmental records reflecting the person’s date of birth. The bill will have no expenditure impact on the Department of Health and Environmental Control (DHEC) because the agency can accomplish the requirements of the bill with existing appropriations and staff.

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 allows a person born in South Carolina whose birth was not registered to use an inscribed family Bible or genealogical records to document the date of birth by executing a sworn statement affirming the date of birth and providing other corroborating documentation such as medical, financial, or governmental records reflecting the person’s date of birth. DHEC indicates that the agency will be able to accomplish the duties enumerated in this bill with existing appropriations and staff. Therefore, this bill will have no expenditure impact on the agency.

State Revenue

N/A

Local Expenditure

N/A

Local Revenue

N/A

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