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HB 154 Engrossed

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Carpenter

Abstract: Allows the Dept. of Children and Family Services to obtain the name, age, preliminary diagnosis, and the manner of death of a deceased minor from the office of the coroner conducting the autopsy while the final autopsy is pending.

<u>Present law</u> requires the coroner to provide copies of an autopsy report, records, writings, and documents to the appropriate law enforcement agencies as requested at no charge.

<u>Proposed law</u> adds that, upon request, the Dept. of Children and Family Services is entitled to obtain at no charge the name, age, preliminary diagnosis, and the manner of death of a deceased minor from the office of the coroner conducting the autopsy while the final autopsy is pending.

Effective upon signature of governor or lapse of time for gubernatorial action.

(Adds R.S. 13:5713(M))

Summary of Amendments Adopted by House

The Committee Amendments Proposed by House Committee on Judiciary to the original bill:

- 1. Remove the Dept. of Children and Family Services as an agency which is entitled to a coroner's autopsy report, records, writings, and documents, if requested.
- 2. Add a provision allowing the Dept. of Children and Family Services to obtain at no charge the name, age, preliminary diagnosis, and the manner of death of a deceased minor from the office of the coroner conducting the autopsy while the final autopsy is pending.
- 3. Add technical amendments.