

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL OFFICE**

**Fiscal Note**



Fiscal Note On: **HB 25** HLS 07RS 46  
 Bill Text Version: **ENROLLED**  
 Opp. Chamb. Action:  
 Proposed Amd.:  
 Sub. Bill For.:

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<b>Subject:</b> Right to Know	

ABORTION EN GF EX See Note Page 1 of 1  
 Provides relative to a Woman's Right to Know

The proposed legislation requires that at least 24 hours prior to the performance of an abortion, the physician that will perform the abortion shall inform the woman, orally and in person, of 1) the availability of anesthesia or analgesics to alleviate or eliminate organ pain to the unborn child that could be caused by the method of abortion to be employed, and 2) the option of reviewing and receiving an explanation of an obstetric ultrasound image of the unborn child. Proposed law further provides that the Department of Health and Hospitals publish, in English, printed material inclusive of the following language: "By twenty weeks gestation, the unborn child has the physical structures necessary to experience pain. There is evidence that by twenty weeks gestation unborn children seek to evade certain stimuli in a manner which in an infant or an adult would be interpreted to be a response to pain. Anesthesia is routinely administered to unborn children who are twenty weeks gestational age or older who undergo prenatal surgery."

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Ded./Other	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Federal Funds	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	<b>\$0</b>
Local Funds	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<u>\$0</u>	<b><u>\$0</u></b>
<b>Annual Total</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>

  

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**EXPENDITURE EXPLANATION**

The expenditures of DHH, Office of Public Health (OPH) could increase by a minimal amount as a result of this measure. The proposed legislation requires OPH to provide additional information to a pregnant woman relative to anesthesia and pain to an unborn child prior to an abortion. OPH indicates that printing costs for informational pamphlets distributed by the department are approximately \$15,000 per year for 15,000 pamphlets. If the proposed legislation allows OPH to reprint such pamphlets in the normal cycle, there should be no additional costs other than the cost to add the revisions required pursuant to this legislation, which is anticipated to be minimal.

**REVENUE EXPLANATION**

There is no anticipated direct material effect on governmental revenues as a result of this measure.

Senate                      Dual Referral Rules  
 13.5.1 >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost  
 13.5.2 >= \$500,000 Annual Tax or Fee Change

House  
 6.8(F) >= \$500,000 Annual Fiscal Cost  
 6.8(G) >= \$500,000 Tax or Fee Increase or a Net Fee Decrease

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