BILL SUMMARY

1st Session of the 54th Legislature

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Research Analysis

The PCS for HB 1588 creates the "Parental Notification for Abortion Act." The measure extends the time of delivery for a request of written informed consent to 12 noon on the third day of regular mail delivery. Additionally, the measure requires 48 hours to pass after written notice of a pending abortion has been delivered to a parent, guardian, or conservator before an abortion is performed or induced upon an unemancipated minor. If a medical emergency exists, the parent, guardian, or conservator must be verbally informed and sent a written notice within 24 hours after the abortion is performed. A notice is not required if the parent has stated in a notarized writing that they have been informed, or if the pregnant female declares she is a victim of sexual or physical abuse by a parent.

Any violation of this act will result in a misdemeanor and is grounds for civil action. Finally, if any portion of the Act is adjudicated invalid, the entire act is void.

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Fiscal Analysis

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Other Considerations

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