

BILL SUMMARY
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Bill No.:	HB 2797
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Impact:	Contingent on availability of approp. funds

Research Analysis

Please see previous summary of this measure.

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Fiscal Analysis

CCS for HB 2797 creates the Humanity of the Unborn Child Act. Contingent on the availability of specified appropriated funds, the Department of Health is required to develop, annually update and maintain an electronic form with certain information. On or before January 1, 2018, the Department will make available certain signage to state specified facilities for posting. The Department will develop and make certain materials available, provide specified distributions, technical assistance, outreach, consultation and training, and recommend to the Department of Education certain scientifically verifiable information in the educational standards of science, family and consumer sciences and health classes.

Contingent on availability of specified appropriated funds, the Department of Education, in collaboration with the Department of Health will establish an instructional program for students consistent with this act. Local school boards may choose to implement the specified instructional program. The content of instruction used by local schools for teaching will be at the discretion of the appropriate school board with required provisions. The Public Education on the Humanity of the Unborn Child Fund is created as a revolving fund for the State Board of Education.

Department of Education personnel provide that there is no additional cost to establish the program, but potential costs to school districts cannot be determined. Department of Health personnel have not yet calculated an exact cost related to the provisions of the measure, but do anticipate associated costs.

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Other Considerations

None

