BILL SUMMARY

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Research Analysis

HB 4041 requires funeral directors to notify employees of potential risks related to serious transmissible diseases. The bill expands the definition of *serious transmissible disease* to include HIV, MRSA, hepatitis, and other transmissible diseases. If a funeral director or embalmer is notified of a deceased person testing positive for a transmissible disease, they must notify any person transporting or preparing the body for disposition. Health providers will not be subject to liability when providing results of a transmissible disease to a funeral director or embalmer, or for failing to or falsely diagnosing certain transmissible diseases. The health records of a deceased person testing positive for a transmissible disease will be made available to the funeral director or embalmer.

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Fiscal Analysis

Upon review, HB 4041 as written, has no measurable costs anticipated to the agency or State.

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Other Considerations

None.

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