

Bill Summary
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Bill Analysis

SB 1238 requires attending physicians to report the death of a woman in a hospital or within 42 days of delivery who dies due to causes related to or aggravated by a pregnancy to the State Department of Health and to provide a place on the death certificate allowing the medical examiner to note that the woman's death was related to maternal mortality. The measure directs the Department to maintain data on maternal mortality including the number of deaths reported by county, race, and any additional information the Department deems necessary and authorizes the Department to use death certificates created by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention.

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