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Research Analysis

The proposed policy committee substitute for HB 3931 adds that the Commissioner of Health will make rules and standards necessary to allow the Department to amend vital statistics for minor corrections for other purposes deemed necessary to protect the integrity and accuracy of records. The polpcs also adds an emergency to the bill.

HB 3931 allows an applicant who wants to make a change, alteration, or amendment to a death certificate one year or more after the issuance of the certificate to file a petition with the Administrative Hearing Clerk and seek a final decision by an Administrative Law Judge. The applicant must bear the burden of proof that the change, alteration, or amendment sought corrects an error regarding information the funeral home supplied to the State Registrar. The Commissioner of Health must promulgate rules and standards necessary to allow vital statistics for minor corrections for other purposes deemed necessary to protect the integrity and accuracy of records.

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Fiscal Analysis

HB 3931 directs the Commissioner of Health to promulgate rules allowing amendments for minor corrections to vital records to protect their accuracy and integrity. The measure is expected to be manageable within the State Department of Health's resources; therefore, HB 3931 is not anticipated to have a direct fiscal impact on the state budget.

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Other Considerations

None.