



# Ohio Legislative Service Commission

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## Fiscal Note & Local Impact Statement

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**Bill:** [Am. H.B. 393 of the 129th G.A.](#)      **Date:** December 4, 2012  
**Status:** As Reported by House Health & Aging      **Sponsor:** Rep. Yuko

**Local Impact Statement Procedure Required:** No

**Contents:** To rename certificates recognizing the delivery of a stillborn infant as certificates of birth resulting in stillbirth

### State Fiscal Highlights

- The Ohio Department of Health may realize an increase in administrative and mailing costs to provide certificates of birth resulting in stillbirth to parents to reflect the certificate name change.

### Local Fiscal Highlights

- Local registrars, such as local health departments, may realize an increase in costs to notify parents of the option to apply for a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth.

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## Detailed Fiscal Analysis

The bill renames a "certificate recognizing the delivery of a stillborn infant" as a "certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth." Under current law, which is not changed by the bill, this certificate must be issued at no cost by the Director of Health or the State Registrar on receiving an application signed by either parent. The bill requires the Director of Health or State Registrar, on receipt of a written request signed by a parent who was previously issued a certificate recognizing the delivery of a stillborn infant, to reissue the certificate as a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth. As a result, the Ohio Department of Health may realize an increase in administrative and mailing costs to provide certificates with the name change to parents requesting this.

The bill requires that, when a burial permit is issued for a product of human conception of at least 20 weeks of gestation that suffers a fetal death, the local registrar must inform the parent or parents of the option to apply for a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth and the application process. Local registrars, such as local health departments, may realize an increase in costs to notify parents of the option to apply for a certificate of birth resulting in stillbirth. Costs would likely be minimal as long as the notification could be distributed along with the issued burial permit. Some local health departments may also make modifications to their web sites to reflect this information.