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sHB-6602

AN ACT CONCERNING FUNERAL DIRECTORS AND FUNERAL HOMES.

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 24 \$	FY 25 \$
Children & Families, Dept.	GF - Cost	154,574	158,330
State Comptroller - Fringe Benefits ¹	GF - Cost	64,313	65,921

Note: GF=General Fund

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill, which increases the frequency of Department of Public Health (DPH) funeral home inspections from at least once every three years to once every year, among other provisions, results in a cost to the agency of approximately \$154,574 in FY 24 and \$158,330 in FY 25 and a cost for fringe benefits of approximately \$64,313 in FY 24 and \$65,291 in FY 25. One full-time Funeral Home Compliance Specialist is needed to help the existing Funeral Home Compliance Specialist to complete annual inspections of approximately 325 funeral homes and 21 crematories. One full-time Special Investigator is needed to investigate complaints received by the agency related to funeral directors, embalmers, and funeral homes. DPH will also require a state-issued fleet vehicle to conduct inspections at a cost of approximately \$4,380 annually.

¹The fringe benefit costs for most state employees are budgeted centrally in accounts administered by the Comptroller. The estimated active employee fringe benefit cost associated with most personnel changes is 42.82% of payroll in FY 24.

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The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation.