

**HB**

**540**

# **HEALTH, EDUCATION AND SOCIAL SERVICES COMMITTEE**

ALASKA STATE LEGISLATURE  
HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES



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## **SPONSOR STATEMENT**

**HB 540**

**"An Act relating to health care data and registration of births."**

**This bill will accomplish changes in law needed to assure that the Department of Health and Social Services has access to information on diseases and conditions of public health significance that is essential to carrying out disease surveillance, control, and prevention activities.**

**It will establish explicit civil immunity for providers who comply with requirements to report health care data and assure access by DHSS to health records needed to carry out its mandates and to conduct research for the purposes of protecting and promoting public health. These provisions are required to continue eligibility for a Federal grant of \$420,000 per year which supports operation of a registry of cancer occurrences within the state - an increasingly vital activity as cancer has become the leading cause of death.**

**HB 540 will also make changes needed to fully implement the Electronic Birth Certificate system and clarify rules for filing and registering births occurring en route to Alaska. The bill will:**

- \*allow certification of births to occur by an electronic process rather than only by signature on a paper certificate and shift the place of filing to recognize electronic filing;**
- \*reduce filing time from 7 to 5 days to comply with requirements of the National Center for Health Statistics;**
- \*clarify rules for filing and registering births occurring on moving conveyances in international waters or air space or foreign waters or air space en route to Alaska to comply with the model Vital Statistics Act.**

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BILL NO. HB 540

Revision Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Title: An act relating to health care data and registration of births  
Sponsor: House HESS  
Requestor: House HESS

Dept. Affected: Health and Social Services  
BRU: State Health Services  
Component: Epidemiology  
COMPONENT SERIAL NO. 296  
See also (SN#): 961

Expenditures/Revenues:

(Thousands of Dollars)

OPERATING	FY97	FY98	FY99	FY00	FY01	FY02
PERSONAL SERVICES						
TRAVEL						
CONTRACTUAL						
SUPPLIES						
EQUIPMENT						
LAND & STRUCTURES						
GRANTS, CLAIMS						
MISCELLANEOUS						
<b>TOTAL OPERATING</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

CAPITAL EXPENDITURES						
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CHANGES IN REVENUES						
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FUND SOURCE

(Thousands of Dollars)

1002 Federal Receipts						
1003 GF Match						
1004 GF						
1005 GF/Program Receipts						
1037 GF/Mental Health						
Other (please specify)						
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>	<b>0.0</b>

POSITIONS:

FULL-TIME						
PART-TIME						
TEMPORARY						

Estimate of any current year (FY96) cost: \$0.0

ANALYSIS: (Attach a separate page if necessary)

Should this bill not pass, the state would lose \$420.0/year in federal grant funds for the establishment of a cancer registry to monitor the occurrences within the state.

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No fiscal impact.

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