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House Bill 5615 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
House Bill 5616 (Substitute S-1 as reported)
Sponsor: Representative Julie Calley (H.B. 5615)
Representative Tyrone Carter (H.B. 5616)
House Committee: Local Government and Municipal Finance
Senate Committee: Health Policy and Human Services

CONTENT

House Bill 5615 (S-1) would amend Part 28 (Vital Records) of the Public Health Code to do the following:

- Require a funeral director who first assumed custody of a dead body to submit a report of the death using the web-based application system established by the Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS) for the registration of deaths.
- Require the medical certification portion to be completed and certified by the county medical examiner if an investigation of the death were required.
- Require the medical certification portion to be submitted using the web-based application system established by the DHHS, beginning one year after the bill's effective date.
- Prohibit a physician, or his or her authorized representative, who was properly presented a medical certification by a funeral director from neglecting or refusing to certify a death record and from neglecting or refusing to furnish information in his or her possession to the funeral director.
- Add the failure to comply with the Code's requirements concerning the medical certification portion of a death record to the list of grounds for which disciplinary subcommittee action may be taken.

House Bill 5616 (S-1) would amend Public Act 181 of 1953, which governs the investigations of the causes of death in certain instances, to modify circumstances under which a county medical examiner would have to investigate the cause and manner of death of an individual to reflect changes proposed in House Bill 5615 (S-1).

House Bill 5616 (S-1) is tie-barred to House Bill 5615.

MCL 333.2804 et al. (H.B. 5615)
52.202 & 52.203 (H.B. 5616)

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bills would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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