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Senate Bill 287 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Senator Kevin Daley Committee: Health Policy

CONTENT

The bill would amend the Public Health Code to allow a physician's private office or an urgent care center to ask each new patient whether the patient was interested in information regarding the organ and tissue donor registry or donating bone marrow.

Proposed MCL 333.10401

BRIEF RATIONALE

According to testimony, one organ donor could prevent up to eight people on the transplant list from dying or worsening in their conditions. Reportedly, asking a verbal question is a more effective way of getting people to sign up for the organ and tissue donor registry, as evidenced by the decrease in the growth of the registry since the outset of the COVID-19 pandemic. Accordingly, it has been suggested that physician's offices and urgent care centers be allowed to ask people if they were interested in information regarding the organ and tissue donor registry or donating bone marrow.

PREVIOUS LEGISLATION

(Please note: This section does not provide a comprehensive account of all previous legislative efforts on the relevant subject matter.)

The bill is a reintroduction of Senate Bill 1025 from the 2021-2022 Legislative Session. Senate Bill 1025 was reported the Senate Committee on Health Policy and Human Services but received no further action.

Legislative Analyst: Alex Krabill

FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on the Department of Health and Human Services or local units of government.

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