

**COMMONWEALTH OF KENTUCKY FISCAL NOTE STATEMENT
LEGISLATIVE RESEARCH COMMISSION
2022 REGULAR SESSION**

MEASURE

2022 BR NUMBER 453

SENATE BILL NUMBER SB 80 SCS1

TITLE AN ACT relating to genetic testing in death investigations.

SPONSOR Senator Phillip Wheeler

FISCAL SUMMARY

STATE FISCAL IMPACT: YES NO UNCERTAIN

OTHER FISCAL STATEMENT(S) THAT MAY APPLY: ACTUARIAL ANALYSIS
 LOCAL MANDATE CORRECTIONS IMPACT HEALTH BENEFIT MANDATE

APPROPRIATION UNIT(S) IMPACTED: Justice Administration

FUND(S) IMPACTED: GENERAL ROAD FEDERAL RESTRICTED _____

FISCAL ESTIMATES	2021-2022	2022-2023	2023-2024	ANNUAL IMPACT AT FULL IMPLEMENTATION
REVENUES				
EXPENDITURES		\$20,000- \$40,000	\$20,000- \$40,000	Indeterminable
NET EFFECT		(\$20,000- \$40,000)	(\$20,000- \$40,000)	Indeterminable

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PURPOSE OF MEASURE: The purpose of this measure is to require post-mortem genetic testing for certain cases in which the deceased is under forty years of age and the cause of death is otherwise not determined.

FISCAL EXPLANATION: The fiscal impact of the measure is a function of the number of cases that meet the standard for testing and the cost of the genetic tests. The Office of the Kentucky State Medical Examiner estimates approximately 80 cases annually would meet the standard for testing. Cost estimates for testing range from \$250 to \$500 per test and were provided by cardiovascular genetics staff at the University of Virginia. Total cost estimates annually may range between \$20,000 and \$40,000. Future impacts are indeterminable at this time and will vary based on the number of cases and costs of genetic testing.

DATA SOURCE(S): LRC Staff; Office of the Kentucky State Medical Examiner; University of Virginia

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