

## **SUBCOMMITTEE RECOMMENDATION**

### **HB 2120**

#### **Relating to State Mortuary and Cemetery Board death report fees**

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| To:      | Ways and Means Full Committee |
| From:    | Education Subcommittee        |
| Carrier: | Senator Frederick             |

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HB 2120 increases the death report filing fee from \$20 to \$30 for each report.

The fee increase is intended to stabilize the Mortuary and Cemetery Board's Indigent Disposition Program Fund.

The Fund provides an opportunity for death care facilities to seek reimbursement from the Board for costs associated with providing services to families who are unable to afford it. Facilities are required to fill out an application for reimbursement. The Board is required to establish a mechanism to manage and track IDP program activity to ensure IDP funds are not being misappropriated to Board operating expenses.

The fee increase is anticipated to raise \$728,873 Other Funds in revenues for the 2021-23 biennium.

The Education Subcommittee recommends HB 2120 be reported out do pass.