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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "*A*" to S.P. 30, L.D. 128, Bill, "An Act to Amend the State Autopsy Law"

Amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

**FISCAL NOTE**

The Department of the Attorney General will incur additional costs to perform autopsies at the request of family members. The exact amount can not be determined at this time and will depend on the number of requests received in any fiscal year. In addition to the testing costs, the department may also require additional funds to support the cost of new staff positions if the number of new cases represents a significant increase in the workload of the medical examiner's office.

Requiring that these autopsies be funded by the Victim's Compensation Fund may also result in the need for General Fund appropriations to replace the existing dedicated revenue that is redirected to support the costs of these autopsies.'

**SUMMARY**

This amendment is the minority report of the Joint Standing Committee on Judiciary. This amendment adds a fiscal note to the bill.