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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to H.P. 1125, L.D. 1494, Bill, "An Act to Require Parental Notification of Abortion"

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

FISCAL NOTE

The Bureau of Health within the Department of Human Services will incur some minor additional costs to revise the monthly reporting forms used by physicians to include the number of parental notifications issued, the number of exceptions made and the type of exception, as well as compiling the additional data reported. These costs can be absorbed within the bureau's existing budgeted resources.

This bill may increase prosecutions for Class D crimes. If a jail sentence is imposed, the additional costs to the counties are estimated to be \$83.36 per day per prisoner. The number of prosecutions that may result in a jail sentence and the resulting costs to the county jail system are expected to be insignificant.

This bill may increase the number of civil suits filed in the court system. The additional workload and administrative costs associated with the minimal number of new cases filed can be absorbed within the budgeted resources of the Judicial

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2 Department. The collection of additional filing fees may also
increase General Fund revenue by minor amounts.

4 The additional workload, administrative costs and indigent
6 defense costs associated with the minimal number of new cases
filed in the court system can be absorbed within the budgeted
8 resources of the Judicial Department. The collection of
additional fines may also increase General Fund revenue by minor
amounts.'

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SUMMARY

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

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