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COMMITTEE AMENDMENT "A" to S.P. 543, L.D. 1689, Bill, "An Act to Amend the State's Abortion Reporting Law"

Amend the bill by inserting after section 1 the following:

Sec. 2. Appropriation. The following funds are appropriated from the General Fund to carry out the purposes of this Act.

	2001-02	2002-03
HUMAN SERVICES, DEPARTMENT OF		
Bureau of Health		
Positions	(3,000)	(3,000)
Personal Services	\$45,477	\$40,644
All Other	13,700	11,200

Provides funds for one Comprehensive Health Planner II position, one Planning and Research Associate position and one Clerk Typist II position to work on a part-time basis to prepare and publish an annual report on abortions performed in the State.

COMMITTEE AMENDMENT

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DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES

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TOTAL

\$59,177

\$51,844'

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Further amend the bill by inserting at the end before the summary the following:

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'FISCAL NOTE

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2001-02

2002-03

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APPROPRIATIONS/ALLOCATIONS

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General Fund

\$59,177

\$51,844

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This bill includes General Fund appropriations of \$59,177 and \$51,844 for the Bureau of Health within the Department of Human Services for one Comprehensive Health Planner II position, one Planning and Research Associate position, and one Clerk Typist II position to work on a part-time basis on data collection, data base design and programming, training, and troubleshooting associated with preparing and publishing an annual report of abortions performed in the State.

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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.

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The additional workload, administrative costs and indigent defense costs associated with the minimal number of new cases filed in the court system can be absorbed within the budgeted 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. This amendment adds an appropriation section and a fiscal note to the bill.

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