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**FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT**

**LS 6550**

**BILL NUMBER: HB 1510**

**DATE PREPARED:** Feb 27, 1999

**BILL AMENDED:** Feb 24, 1999

**SUBJECT:** Family Heritage Birth Certificate Program.

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**FUNDS AFFECTED:**  **GENERAL**  
 **DEDICATED**  
**FEDERAL**

**IMPACT:** State

**Summary of Legislation:** (Amended) This bill provides that the Division of Historic Preservation and Archeology of the Department of Natural Resources (DNR) shall issue commemorative family heritage certificates reflecting specific time periods for settlement in the state. This bill establishes a fee for issuance with part of the fee to offset costs and the remainder of the fee for deposit in a historic preservation fund. This bill establishes the Historic Preservation Fund for use of the DNR's Division of Historic Preservation and Archeology.

**Effective Date:** July 1, 1999.

**Explanation of State Expenditures:** (Revised) The DNR shall issue commemorative family heritage certificates reflecting specific time periods for settlement in the state. Currently, the Department does not issue such certificates; however, the State Department of Health currently issues an heirloom birth certificate.

For calendar year 1998, the Department issued 74 heirloom birth certificates. The Department purchased 5,000 blank certificate forms at a cost of \$1,525, or 30½ cents per form. Additional costs to the Department per certificate equaled \$1.50 for printing and \$1.45 for postage. Not including personnel costs, total costs to the Department per certificate equaled \$3.25.

If the DNR purchased 5,000 blank certificates, the Department would also incur additional costs of an estimated \$6,100 for the needed forms (\$1,525 multiplied by the four required categories equals \$6,100).

The Division may contract with an outside source to perform the above duties which could affect costs.

**Explanation of State Revenues:** (Revised) The Department will collect \$30 per certificate issued and deposit the fee in the Historic Preservation Fund for the Division's use. If the Division sold 74 certificates for each of the four categories (comparable to the Department of Health's sales), the Division would collect

approximately \$9,000.

**Explanation of Local Expenditures:**

**Explanation of Local Revenues:**

**State Agencies Affected:** Division of Historic Preservation and Archeology of the Department of Natural Resources.

**Local Agencies Affected:**

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