



Open Government Impact Statement

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Measure: HB 4133 - A

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SUMMARY

Establishes Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Review Committee to conduct studies and reviews of incidence of maternal mortality and severe maternal morbidity.

Provides that information obtained, created or maintained by committee is confidential and exempt from disclosure as public record and inadmissible as evidence in judicial, administrative, arbitration or mediation proceeding.

Requires committee to submit biennial report relating to maternal mortality to interim committees related to health care. Requires committee to submit first biennial report no later than January 1, 2021. Requires each biennial report submitted after January 2, 2021, to include information relating to severe maternal morbidity.

Requires committee to submit progress report to interim committees related to health care no later than January 1, 2019.

Requires committee to perform studies and reviews of incidence of maternal mortality no later than July 1, 2019.

Requires committee to commence studies and reviews of incidence of severe maternal morbidity no later than July 1, 2021.

Declares emergency, effective on passage.

OPEN GOVERNMENT IMPACT

Legislative Counsel has not adopted standards for drafting measures that establish exemptions from disclosure of public records.

This measure exempts all information used by the Maternal Mortality and Morbidity Review Committee, in connection with a study or review, from public disclosure.

The committee will review various types of records. Many of the records are protected from public disclosure by federal or state law. It is unlikely that those types of records could be made subject to mandatory disclosure. Subjecting the remaining records to mandatory disclosure under public records law could affect the following competing issues: transparency; privacy; the ability to have frank discussions; and the ability to gather and use confidential information.