SENATE COMMITTEE OF REFERENCE REPORT

Chair of Committee

March 16, 2023 Date

Committee on Health & Human Services.

After consideration on the merits, the Committee recommends the following:

<u>SB23-020</u> be amended as follows, and as so amended, be referred to the Committee on <u>Finance</u> with favorable recommendation:

1 Amend printed bill, page 2, line 3, after "**add**" insert "(1)(b)(III) and".

Page 2, line 7, strike "FORTY-EIGHT HOURS after the death occurs" and
substitute "after the death occurs SEVENTY-TWO HOURS OF ASSUMING

4 CUSTODY OF A DEAD BODY, STILLBORN FETUS, OR DEAD FETUS".

5 Page 2, lines 8 and 9, strike "SECTION 30-10-606." and substitute 6 "SUBSECTION (5.5) of this section or any provision of section 7 30-10-606 OTHER THAN SECTION 30-10-606 (1)(b) OR WHEN A CORONER, 8 A MEDICAL EXAMINER, A FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST, OR OTHER QUALIFIED 9 INDIVIDUAL DETERMINES THAT ADDITIONAL TIME IS NECESSARY TO MAKE 10 A PROPER INQUIRY TO DETERMINE THE CAUSE AND MANNER OF DEATH. IN 11 SUCH A SITUATION, THE CORONER, MEDICAL EXAMINER, FORENSIC 12 PATHOLOGIST, OR OTHER QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL SHALL COMPLETE AND 13 SIGN THE CERTIFICATE OF DEATH AS SOON AS PRACTICABLE.".

14 Page 3, after line 2 insert:

15 "(1) (b) (III) ANY INDIVIDUAL REQUIRED TO INITIATE, COMPLETE,
16 RESPOND TO, OR FILE A DEATH CERTIFICATE PURSUANT TO THIS SECTION
17 MUST USE THE ELECTRONIC DEATH REGISTRATION SYSTEM USED BY THE
18 STATE REGISTRAR.".

Page 3, lines 6 and 7, strike "FORTY-EIGHT HOURS AFTER THE DEATH
OCCURS" and substitute "SEVENTY-TWO HOURS AFTER RECEIPT OF THE

21 ELECTRONIC DEATH REGISTRATION REQUEST".

22 Page 3, line 17, strike "section 30-10-606, C.R.S.," and substitute "section

30-10-606, C.R.S., ANY PROVISION OF SECTION 30-10-606 OTHER THAN
 SECTION 30-10-606 (1)(b),".

Page 3, line 21, strike "THIRTY-SIX hours after a death occurs." and
substitute "hours after a death occurs SEVENTY-TWO HOURS AFTER
RECEIPT OF THE ELECTRONIC DEATH REGISTRATION REQUEST.".

Page 4, line 1, after "causes." insert "IF THE DEATH IS OR MAY BE DUE TO
UNNATURAL CAUSES, A PHYSICIAN REQUIRED TO COMPLETE, SIGN, AND
RETURN A DEATH CERTIFICATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBSECTION (4)
SHALL NOTIFY THE CORONER OR THE MEDICAL EXAMINER WHEN AN
INQUIRY OR AN AUTOPSY IS REQUIRED TO BE PERFORMED PURSUANT TO
SECTIONS 30-10-606 AND 30-10-606.5.".

Page 4, line 4, after the period add "THE PHYSICIAN OR, IN THEIR ABSENCE, THEIR DESIGNEE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBSECTION (4), SHALL COMPLETE THE MEDICAL CERTIFICATION REQUIRED BY THIS SUBSECTION (4) USING THE ELECTRONIC DEATH REGISTRATION SYSTEM USED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT AND THE STATE REGISTRAR PURSUANT TO SECTION 25-2-110 (1)(b)(I).".

Page 4, lines 7 and 8, strike "taking charge of the case," and substitute
"taking charge of the case RECEIPT OF THE ELECTRONIC DEATH

20 REGISTRATION REQUEST,".

Page 4, line 11, after "section." add "A CORONER, MEDICAL EXAMINER,
FORENSIC PATHOLOGIST, OR OTHER QUALIFIED INDIVIDUAL THAT
DETERMINES THE CAUSE OF DEATH AND COMPLETES THE MEDICAL
CERTIFICATION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THIS SUBSECTION (5) MUST USE THE
ELECTRONIC DEATH REGISTRATION SYSTEM USED BY THE DEPARTMENT OF
PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT AND THE STATE REGISTRAR PURSUANT
TO SECTION 25-2-110 (1)(b)(I).".

28 Page 4, strike lines 23 through 27.

29 Page 5, strike lines 1 through 7.

30 Renumber succeeding section accordingly.

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