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## **Assumptions Used in Arriving at Fiscal Estimate**

Under current law, if a birth mother is married at any time from the conception to the birth of a child, then her husband's name is entered on the birth certificate as the legal father of the child.

SB 327 recognizes same-sex marriage by making spousal references in the statutes gender neutral. This includes changing birth certificate statutes to reference "spouse" and "parent" rather than "husband" and "father." Additionally, the bill specifies that, in the instance that a second parent's name is initially omitted from the birth certificate, the state registrar should prescribe a form by which a married couple presumed to be the natural parents of a child can acknowledge the parentage, after which the state registrar must enter the name of the birth mother's spouse-as a parent on the birth certificate.

In order to create and amend the forms as directed in this bill, the Department of Health Services estimates a one-time cost of \$48,000 PR to configure and test the necessary system changes and \$36,000 PR for the new forms and associated training.

The Department does not anticipate a fiscal impact on local health departments.

## **Long-Range Fiscal Implications**