## Department of Planning and Budget 2010 Fiscal Impact Statement

- 1. Bill Number: HB650ER

   House of Origin
   Introduced
   Substitute
   Engrossed

   Second House
   In Committee
   Substitute
   X
   Enrolled
- **2. Patron:** Armstrong
- 3. Committee: Passed Both Houses
- 4. Title: Funeral services; disputes between next of kin
- **5. Summary:** Provides a judicial process for determining who makes the decision for the arrangements for a decedent's funeral or the disposition of his remains when there is a dispute between the next of kin.
- 6. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final (see Item 8)
- 7. Budget Amendment Necessary: No
- 8. Fiscal Implications: This bill sets up a judicial process for determining who makes decisions regarding final arrangements for a decedent's funeral or disposition of remains in the event of a dispute between the next of kin. While there may be additional hearings in the courts, it is not known how many additional cases there could be and therefore, the fiscal impact cannot be precisely determined. That said, it is anticipated the additional caseload stemming from this legislation will be relatively small and can be accommodated within current court resources.
- 9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Courts

## 10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No

## 11. Other Comments: None

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