

Department of Planning and Budget 2012 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 161

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/>	In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/>	Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/>	Enrolled

2. Patron: Hope

3. Committee: General Laws

4. Title: State employees killed in line of state duties

5. Summary: The bill would require the Director of the Department of Human Resource Management to provide a state flag, upon request, to the next of kin of a state employee who is killed or dies from injuries sustained in connection with employment with a state agency as a result of a criminal act, an act of terrorism, a natural disaster, or other circumstance as determined by the Governor.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final.

8. Fiscal Implications: While DPB cannot estimate the fiscal impact associated with this bill with precision, it is not expected to be significant. According to the Department of Human Resource Management (DHRM), there have been 65 death claims over the past 10 years. Of those, 47 were certified and two are pending. Of the certified claims, 18 were National Guardsmen killed in an airplane crash. On average, then, there are three to five death claims annually. The cost of state flags ranges from \$32 to \$55, depending on the size.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Human Resource Management.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.

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