



2021-2022 General Assembly

HOUSE BILL 103: 2022 Appropriations Act, Sec. 9G.1: Funds for the Office of the Chief Medical Examiner to Increase the Transportation Rate for Death Investigations and Autopsies and to Increase the Number of Forensic Pathologist Positions

Committee:		Date:	August 3, 2022
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Analysis of:	Sec. 9G.1 of S.L. 2022-74		

OVERVIEW: Section 9G.1 of S.L. 2022-74 appropriates \$4.75 million to the Department of Health and Human Services, Division of Public Health, Office of the Chief Medical Examiner (OCME) in recurring funds for the 2022-2023 fiscal year to be used as follows:

- \$3 million to increase the current base contract rate to transport bodies one way for death investigations or autopsies to \$170 for the first 40 miles, and \$1 per mile thereafter.
- \$1.75 million to create seven new full-time Forensic Pathologist positions within the OCME.

This section became effective July 1, 2022, and applies to contracts entered into, renewed, or amended on or after that date.

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