

FINAL BILL REPORT

SSB 6155

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Synopsis as Enacted

Brief Description: Concerning bone marrow donation information provided to driver's license and identicaid applicants.

Sponsors: Senate Committee on Transportation (originally sponsored by Senators Short, King, Hobbs, Takko, Brown, Padden, Saldaña and Keiser).

Senate Committee on Transportation
House Committee on Health Care & Wellness

Background: Bone marrow donation is a method of collecting blood forming cells for bone marrow transplants. Bone marrow donation is sometimes used in the treatment of life-threatening disorders such as leukemia, aplastic anemia, as well as certain immune system and metabolic disorders.

The National Marrow Donor Program (NMDP) is a nonprofit organization founded in 1986 that operates the Be the Match Registry for potential bone marrow donation. Other organizations exist that help identify potential bone marrow donors and promote bone marrow donation.

The Department of Licensing (DOL) is required to provide a statement on a driver's license or identicaid to allow an individual to certify their willingness to be an organ and tissue donor.

Summary: DOL is required to provide each driver's license or identicaid applicant with written materials regarding making a bone marrow donation and being placed on the bone marrow donor registry at the completion of their licensing transaction.

DOL, in cooperation with the NMDP and other appropriate organizations, is required to place signage in each of the licensing service offices that provide background on the written materials that the applicant will receive regarding bone marrow donation.

No organization or third party may utilize the information for fund-raising or other commercial purposes.

The Department of Health and DOL must provide a report to the Legislature by December 1, 2019, on the results and outcomes of the legislation.

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Votes on Final Passage:

Senate 48 0

House 98 0

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