

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2022 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Health Policy

SB 7000 — OGSR/Nonviable Birth Certificates

by Health Policy Committee

The bill (Chapter 2022-8, L.O.F.) amends s. 382.008(8), F.S., to save from repeal the public record exemption for certain information that may be collected by the Department of Health when issuing a nonviable birth certificate. Specifically, the cause of death and parentage of the fetus, marital status of the parents, and any medical information included in nonviable birth records are confidential and exempt from public disclosure.

Under preexisting law, the public records exemption would stand repealed on October 2, 2022, unless reviewed and reenacted by the Legislature under the Open Government Sunset Review Act. This bill removes the scheduled repeal of the exemption to continue the confidential and exempt status of the information.

These provisions were approved by the Governor and take effect October 1, 2022.

Vote: Senate 35-0; House 116-0