

THE FLORIDA SENATE
2017 SUMMARY OF LEGISLATION PASSED
Committee on Health Policy

CS/HB 103 — Pub. Rec./Nonviable Birth Records

by Health and Human Services Committee; and Rep. Cortes, B. and others (CS/CS/SB 674 by Governmental Oversight and Accountability Committee; Health Policy Committee; and Senator Bean)

The bill creates a public records exemption for information relating to the cause of death and parentage, marital status, and medical information in all nonviable birth records. Accordingly, the Department of Health's Office of Vital Statistics may not release this information pursuant to a public records request.

The bill includes a constitutionally required public necessity statement. The exemption will stand repealed on October 2, 2022, pursuant to the Open Government Sunset Review Act unless it is reenacted.

If approved by the Governor, these provisions take effect on the same date that CS/CS/HB 101 takes effect.

Vote: Senate 37-0; House 114-0