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Fiscal Effect of AM1316-3

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Amendment summary: The amendment limits the number of fee waivers for identification cards and copies of birth certificates, certified abstracts of marriage, certified records of a name change, and certificates of divorce, annulment, or dissolution of marriage for individuals experiencing homelessness to one per year.

Additionally, the amendment requires information about the waiver of fees for individuals experiencing homelessness to be submitted to the Ohio Department of Health (ODH) annually. ODH is required to submit an annual report to the General Assembly with statewide information regarding the waiver of fees for individuals experiencing homelessness in the previous year.

Lastly, the amendment permits a homeless shelter or nonprofit agency that provides case management services to people experiencing homelessness to store a physical copy of their client's Social Security cards or birth certificates, with client consent. The amendment requires the shelter or agency to destroy, delete, or return the document upon the client's request.

Fiscal effect: This amendment could reduce the potential loss of revenue to local offices of vital statistics, ODH, and local courts compared to the current version of the bill, which does not limit the number of fee waivers to one per year. However, these entities may realize minimal administrative costs to report certain information to ODH regarding fee waivers under the amendment. Additionally, ODH may realize a minimal increase in administrative costs to produce the required annual report. There should be no fiscal impact regarding the document storage provisions, as these provisions do not apply to governmental agencies.