

**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE**  
**ASSEMBLY, No. 4888**  
**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**  
**220th LEGISLATURE**

DATED: JUNE 23, 2023

**SUMMARY**

**Synopsis:** Eliminates fee for filing certified copy of name change order.

**Type of Impact:** Annual State revenue loss to the General Fund.

**Agencies Affected:** Department of the Treasury.

**Office of Legislative Services Estimate**

<b>Fiscal Impact</b>	<b><u>FY 2024 and Each Year Thereafter</u></b>
<b>Annual State Revenue Loss</b>	\$50,000 to \$70,000

- The Office of Legislative (OLS) estimates that this bill will reduce State revenues by \$50,000 to \$70,000 annually beginning in FY 2024.
- This bill eliminates the \$50 fee for filing a certified copy of name change order. The OLS projects that approximately 1,000 to 1,400 people will file for a certified copy of name change order in FY 2024.

**BILL DESCRIPTION**

This bill eliminates the \$50 fee for filing a certified copy of an order for change of name.

**FISCAL ANALYSIS**

***EXECUTIVE BRANCH***

None received.

***OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES***

The OLS estimates that this bill will reduce State revenues by \$50,000 to \$70,000 annually beginning in FY 2024.

The OLS infers that approximately 50,000 individuals over the age of 18 change their name in the United States annually. New Jersey's adult population makes up approximately 2.4 percent of the United States' adult population. This would equate to approximately 1,200 people changing their name in New Jersey annually. For purposes of this estimate, the OLS assumes 1,000 to 1,400 people will file for a certified copy of a name change order in this State each year, which will reduce State revenues by \$50,000 to \$70,000 annually.

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This legislative fiscal estimate has been produced by the Office of Legislative Services due to the failure of the Executive Branch to respond to our request for a fiscal note.

This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67 (C.52:13B-6 et seq.).