

ASSEMBLY APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

**ASSEMBLY, No. 4888**

**STATE OF NEW JERSEY**

DATED: JUNE 22, 2023

The Assembly Appropriations Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 4888.

Under current law, a \$50 fee is charged for filing a certified copy of an order for change of name. Many New Jersey residents seek a change of name each year for reasons including marriage and divorce.

This bill eliminates the fee for filing a certified copy of a name change order in this State.

FISCAL IMPACT:

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.