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BILL SUMMARY

- Eliminates witness requirement for a person age 18 or older making an organ donor designation when obtaining a motor vehicle license or identification card.
- Permits the Director of Health to use money from the Second Chance Trust Fund for donor awareness programs in schools of any level.

CONTENT AND OPERATION

Organ donor designation

(secs. 2108.04, 2108.08, and 2108.10)

One of the ways an individual can become an organ donor is by designating an anatomical gift on a driver's or motorcycle operator's license or on an identification card issued by the registrar of motor vehicles or a deputy registrar. Current law requires that the individual sign a statement in the presence of two witnesses at the time of application for a new or renewed license or card. If the individual is under age 18, one of the witnesses must be a parent of the individual.

Under the bill, an applicant for a new or renewed license or identification card who is age 18 or older is not required to have witnesses sign the statement of intent to make an anatomical gift. The bill creates a new form, without spaces for witness signatures, for statement of an anatomical gift made on an application or renewal for a driver's license or identification card. An applicant under age 18 must still have the statement witnessed by a parent and one other person.

Second Chance Trust Fund

(sec. 2108.15)

The Second Chance Trust Fund consists of voluntary contributions for promotion of organ, eye, and tissue donation. The Director of Health may use money from the Fund for several purposes related to promoting donations. One of these is to develop and implement local and statewide donor awareness programs in secondary schools. Under the bill, money from the Fund may be used for donor awareness programs in all schools, not just secondary schools.

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