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House Bill 4691 (Substitute H-1 as passed by the House)

Sponsor: Representative Kurt Heise

House Committee: Judiciary

Senate Committee: Judiciary

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CONTENT

The bill would amend the Revised Judicature Act to allow a nursing mother to claim exemption from jury service for the period during which she was nursing her child. A nursing mother would be exempt upon making the request, if she provided a letter from a physician, lactation consultant, or certified nurse midwife verifying that she was a nursing mother.

"Physician" would mean an individual licensed by the State to engage in the practice of medicine or osteopathic medicine and surgery. "Lactation consultant" would mean a lactation consultant certified by the International Board of Lactation Consultant Examiners. "Certified nurse midwife" would mean an individual licensed as a registered professional nurse who has been issued a specialty certification in the practice of nurse midwifery by the Board of Nursing.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have a negligible fiscal impact on both State and local government. There could be a marginal increase in paperwork for court administrators due to processing exemption requests.

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