Department of Planning and Budget 2013 Fiscal Impact Statement

1.	Bill Number: SB 878							
	House of Origi	n 🖂	Introduced	Subs	titute		Engrossed	
	Second House		In Committee	☐ Subst	itute		Enrolled	
2.	Patron: Puckett, Phillip P.							
3.	Committee: Education and Health							
4.		Prescription Monitoring Program; required checks prior to dispensing certain controlled substances						
5.	Summary: The proposed legislation requires prescribers to request and review information from the Prescription Monitoring Program prior to dispensing any Schedule II, Schedule III, or Schedule IV controlled substance.							
6.	Budget Amendment Necessary: No							
7.	No Fiscal Impact							
8.	Fiscal Implications: While proposed legislation is expected to increase the number of prescribers who must register as users of the Prescription Monitoring Program (PMP) as well as the overall number of prescriber queries; the total number cannot be determined.							
	The Department of Health Professions does not expect that the anticipated increase in PMP users and utilization associated to the provisions of this bill will necessitate additional revenue or staff. Current PMP staff should be able to register new pharmacists and handle any increase in paper requests related to the bill. In addition, access to the PMP is automated via online system and currently available to prescribers around the clock. Therefore, any additional system utilization will not have an impact on agency workload.							
9.	Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Health Professions							
10.	10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No							
11. Other Comments: None								

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