

Department of Planning and Budget

2015 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: SB 1186

House of Origin	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Introduced	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Engrossed
Second House	<input type="checkbox"/> In Committee	<input type="checkbox"/> Substitute	<input type="checkbox"/> Enrolled

2. Patron: Obenshain

3. Committee: Education and Health

4. Title: Naloxone for administration in cases of opiate overdose.

5. Summary: Allows a practitioner to prescribe naloxone to a patient for administration to a person other than the patient when the patient believes the person is experiencing or is about to experience a life-threatening opiate overdose and allows a person to possess naloxone and administer naloxone to a person experiencing or about to experience a life-threatening opiate overdose. The bill provides that under such circumstances (i) a person who administers naloxone to another person shall not be liable for civil damages and (ii) a prescriber shall not be civilly or criminally liable for injuries resulting from the prescription of naloxone to a patient for administration to another person. The bill also allows emergency medical services personnel and other first responders to possess and administer naloxone pursuant to a written order or standing protocol, and the bill provides that first responders and emergency medical services personnel who administer naloxone pursuant to a written order or standing protocol shall not be civilly or criminally liable for injuries resulting from the administration of naloxone.

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: No.

7. No Fiscal Impact.

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill would not have a fiscal impact on the Commonwealth. The agency has stated that this bill will not impact agency operations.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected: Department of Health Professions.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: None.