

## **Department of Planning and Budget 2016 Fiscal Impact Statement**

**1. Bill Number:** HB293H1

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

**2. Patron:** Herring

**3. Committee:** Health, Welfare and Institutions

**4. Title:** Prescription Monitoring Program; requirements of prescribers of benzodiazepine or opiates.

**5. Summary:** Creates an exemption from the requirement that a prescriber check the Prescription Monitoring Program for cases in which (i) a benzodiazepine or opiate is prescribed to a patient currently receiving hospice or palliative care; (ii) benzodiazepine or opiate is prescribed to a patient as part of treatment for a surgical procedure, provided that such prescription is not refillable; or (iii) the Prescription Monitoring Program is not operational or available due to temporary technological or electrical failure or natural disaster.

**6. Budget Amendment Necessary:** No.

**7. No Fiscal Impact.**

**8. Fiscal Implications:** This bill as amended would not have a fiscal impact on the Commonwealth. This bill would not impact agency operations.

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

**10. Technical Amendment Necessary:** No.

**11. Other Comments:** None.