

Department of Planning and Budget 2016 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. **Bill Number:** HB657ER

House of Origin Introduced Substitute Engrossed
Second House In Committee Substitute Enrolled

2. **Patron:** O'Bannon

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

4. **Title:** Prescription Monitoring Program; indicators of misuse; disclosure of information.

5. **Summary:** Directs the Director of the Department of Health Professions to develop, in consultation with an advisory panel that shall include representatives of the Boards of Medicine and Pharmacy, criteria for indicators of unusual patterns of prescribing or dispensing of covered substances by prescribers or dispensers and authorizes the Director to disclose information about the unusual prescribing or dispensing of a covered substance by an individual prescriber or dispenser to the Enforcement Division of the Department of Health Professions.

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

7. **Fiscal Impact Estimate:** Minimal, see item #8.

8. **Fiscal Implications:** This bill as engrossed would have a minimal fiscal impact on the Commonwealth. This may result in an increase in cases reported to the Enforcement for Investigation Division; however any additional cost for investigation and adjudication can be absorbed by the agency.

9. **Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:** None.

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

11. **Other Comments:** None.