

Department of Planning and Budget 2013 Fiscal Impact Statement

1. Bill Number: HB 1672

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

2. Patron: O'Bannon

3. Committee: Passed Both Houses

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

5. Summary: Allows a person to obtain a prescription for and to possess and administer naloxone to a family member or friend for the purpose of counteracting the effects of opiate overdose. The bill also requires the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to work together with the Department of Health, Department of Health Professions, law-enforcement agencies, substance abuse recovery support organizations, and other stakeholders to conduct pilot programs on the administration of naloxone to counteract the effects of opiate overdose. The bill requires the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services to report on such pilot programs to the General Assembly by December 1, 2014

6. Budget Amendment Necessary: Yes. See 8 below.

7. Fiscal Impact Estimates: Final.

8. Fiscal Implications: This bill requires the Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services (DBHDS) to develop and implement a pilot program for the administration of naloxone by unlicensed individuals to those about to suffer from an opiate overdose. The unlicensed individuals would have to first complete a training program, also to be developed by DBHDS, before they would be able to obtain a prescription for the naloxone. Because this is a new program and the legislation does not designate the scope of the pilot, the full cost is indeterminate, however any funds that are appropriated to create a pilot program would be used to pay for, at a minimum, staff time for the development of a training program, the purchase of medications, and marketing. Each naloxone nasal kit is estimated to cost between \$30 and \$40, including the cost of the medication. The agency has stated that \$50,000 would be an appropriate starting point for development of training. The full cost of the program will be ascertained during the development of the training program and implementation of the pilot program.

9. Specific Agency or Political Subdivisions Affected:

Department of Behavioral Health and Developmental Services. Department of Health. Department of Health Professions.

10. Technical Amendment Necessary: No.

11. Other Comments: The House budget includes \$10,000 in FY 2014 for the purposes of funding the requirements of this legislation..

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C: Secretary Health and Human Resources

