

**JBC STAFF FISCAL ANALYSIS
SENATE APPROPRIATIONS COMMITTEE**

CONCERNING THE REDUCTION OF HARM CAUSED BY SUBSTANCE USE DISORDERS, AND, IN CONNECTION THEREWITH, AUTHORIZING SCHOOLS TO OBTAIN A SUPPLY OF OPIATE ANTAGONISTS; SPECIFYING THAT A LICENSED OR CERTIFIED HOSPITAL MAY BE USED AS A CLEAN SYRINGE EXCHANGE SITE; CREATING THE OPIATE ANTAGONIST PURCHASE FUND; EXPANDING THE HOUSEHOLD MEDICATION TAKE-BACK PROGRAM IN THE DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH AND ENVIRONMENT; REQUIRING A PERSON THAT MAKES AN AUTOMATED EXTERNAL DEFIBRILLATOR AVAILABLE TO THE PUBLIC TO ALSO MAKE AN OPIATE ANTAGONIST AVAILABLE; AND REQUIRING THE DEPARTMENT OF HUMAN SERVICES TO CREATE A POLICY CONCERNING THE IDENTIFICATION OF CERTAIN INDIVIDUALS WITH A SUBSTANCE USE DISORDER.

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Fiscal Impact of Bill as Amended to Date

The most recent Legislative Council Staff Revised Fiscal Note (attached) reflects the fiscal impact of the bill as of 04/12/19.

	No Change: Attached LCS Fiscal Note accurately reflects the fiscal impact of the bill
XXX	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>new information or technical issues</i>
	Update: Fiscal impact has changed due to <i>amendment adopted</i> after LCS Fiscal Note was prepared
	Non-Concurrence: JBC Staff and Legislative Council Staff disagree about the fiscal impact of the bill

The revised fiscal note includes an appropriation of \$475,000 cash funds from the Opiate Antagonist Bulk Purchase Fund created in the bill. This fund consists of payments made by participating eligible entities; gifts, grants, and donations; and any appropriations made by the General Assembly. Because the fund will not immediately have a balance, the Department of Public Health and Environment will require an initial General Fund appropriation to provide funding until revenue can support the expected expenditures. Legislative Council Staff and JBC Staff agree that an additional \$250,000 General Fund, with an associated cash funds reduction, is reasonable.

Amendments in This Packet for Consideration by Appropriations Committee

Amendment	Description
J.001	Staff-prepared appropriation amendment

Current Appropriations Clause in Bill

The bill requires but does not contain an appropriation clause.

Description of Amendments in This Packet

J.001 Staff has prepared amendment **J.001** (attached) to add a provision appropriating a total of \$659,472 to the Department of Public Health and Environment for FY 2019-20, including \$434,472 General Fund and \$225,000 cash funds from the Opiate Antagonist Bulk Purchase Fund. This provision also states that the appropriation is based on the assumption that the Department will require an additional 2.2 FTE to implement the act.

Points to Consider*General Fund Impact*

The Joint Budget Committee has proposed a budget package for FY 2019-20 based on the March 2019 Legislative Council Staff revenue forecast. The budget package leaves approximately \$47.9 million General Fund unallocated. Thus, the General Assembly could appropriate up to \$44.7 million General Fund to fund 2019 legislation and maintain a 7.25 percent General Fund reserve. This bill requires a General Fund appropriation of \$434,472 for FY 2019-20, reducing the excess General Fund reserve by \$465,971.