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Raised Bill No. 5511

LCO No. 3081



Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS

Introduced by:
(APP)

AN ACT EXPANDING THE MEMBERSHIP OF THE OPIOID SETTLEMENT ADVISORY COMMITTEE AND MAKING THE LEGISLATIVE COMMISSIONERS' OFFICE RECOMMENDED TECHNICAL REVISIONS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

1 Section 1. Subsections (a) and (b) of section 17a-674d of the 2024
2 supplement to the general statutes is repealed and the following is
3 substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective from passage*):

4 (a) There is established an Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee to
5 ensure (1) that proceeds received by the state pursuant to section 17a-
6 674c are allocated and spent on substance use disorder abatement
7 infrastructure, programs, services, supports and resources for
8 prevention, treatment, recovery and harm reduction, and (2) robust
9 public involvement, accountability and transparency in allocating and
10 accounting for the moneys in the fund.

11 (b) The committee shall consist of the following members:

12 (1) The Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management, or the

13 secretary's designee;

14 (2) The Attorney General, or the Attorney General's designee;

15 (3) The Commissioners of Children and Families, Mental Health and
16 Addiction Services and Public Health, or said commissioners' designees,
17 who shall serve as ex-officio members;

18 (4) The president pro tempore of the Senate, the speaker of the House
19 of Representatives, the majority leaders of the Senate and House of
20 Representatives, the minority leaders of the Senate and House of
21 Representatives, the Senate and House chairpersons of the joint
22 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of
23 matters relating to appropriations and the budgets of state agencies and
24 public health, or their designees, provided such persons have
25 experience living with a substance use disorder or are the family
26 member of a person who has experience living with a substance use
27 disorder;

28 (5) (A) A provider of medical treatment for detoxification, who shall
29 be appointed by the speaker of the House of Representatives; (B) a
30 representative of a recovery community center, who shall be appointed
31 by the majority leader of the House of Representatives; (C) a provider
32 of substance use treatment services for youth, who shall be appointed
33 by the president pro tempore of the Senate; (D) a psychologist who
34 specializes in substance use and recovery, who shall be appointed by
35 the majority leader of the Senate; (E) a provider of substance use
36 treatment services, who shall be appointed by the minority leader of the
37 Senate; and (F) a representative of a hospital association in the state, who
38 shall be appointed by the minority leader of the House of
39 Representatives;

40 ~~[(5)]~~ (6) Twenty-one individuals representing municipalities and one
41 individual who is a substance use recovery coach, who shall be
42 appointed by the Governor;

43 ~~[(6)]~~ (7) The executive director of the Commission on Racial Equity in

44 Public Health, or a representative of the commission designated by the
45 executive director; and

46 [(7)] (8) Eight individuals appointed by the commissioner as follows:
47 (A) A provider of community-based substance use treatment services
48 for adults, who shall be a nonvoting member; (B) a provider of
49 community-based substance use treatment services for adolescents,
50 who shall be a nonvoting member; (C) an addiction medicine licensed
51 health care professional with prescribing ability, who shall be a
52 nonvoting member; (D) three individuals with experience living with a
53 substance use disorder or family members of an individual with
54 experience living with a substance use disorder; and (E) two individuals
55 with experience supporting infants and children affected by the opioid
56 crisis.

57 Sec. 2. Subsection (a) of section 10-10i of the 2024 supplement to the
58 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
59 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

60 (a) (1) The Commissioner of Education shall [biennially] biannually
61 submit to the legislative Office of Fiscal Analysis a report on data
62 relating to students collected in the state-wide public school information
63 system, pursuant to section 10-10a. Such data shall include the following
64 information for each student: (A) Grade; (B) resident municipality; (C)
65 reporting district; (D) each facility attended; (E) whether the student
66 receives a free or reduced-price lunch; (F) whether the student is an
67 English language learner; (G) any special program status code; and (H)
68 whether the student is enrolled at no expense to the resident
69 municipality.

70 (2) Such report shall not include any personally identifiable
71 information of students, such as names or the unique student identifier
72 assigned to each student.

73 Sec. 3. Subdivision (7) of subsection (e) of section 17b-705a of the
74 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
75 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

76 (7) Any agreement or award reached pursuant to this section shall be
77 submitted to the General Assembly for approval by filing the agreement
78 or award with the clerks of the House and Senate. No provision of any
79 agreement or award resulting from the collective bargaining process
80 which would require [supercedence] supersedence of any law or
81 regulation shall take effect without affirmative legislative approval.

82 Sec. 4. Subdivision (7) of subsection (c) of section 17b-706b of the
83 general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu
84 thereof (*Effective from passage*):

85 (7) Any agreement or award reached pursuant to this section shall be
86 reduced to writing and submitted to the General Assembly for approval
87 by filing the agreement or award with the clerks of the House of
88 Representatives and Senate. No provision of any agreement or award
89 resulting from the collective bargaining process which would require
90 [supercedence] supersedence of any law or regulation shall take effect
91 without affirmative legislative approval.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
Section 1	<i>from passage</i>	17a-674d(a) and (b)
Sec. 2	<i>from passage</i>	10-10i(a)
Sec. 3	<i>from passage</i>	17b-705a(e)(7)
Sec. 4	<i>from passage</i>	17b-706b(c)(7)

Statement of Purpose:

To expand the membership of the Opioid Settlement Advisory Committee and make the Legislative Commissioners' Office recommended technical revisions.

[Proposed deletions are enclosed in brackets. Proposed additions are indicated by underline, except that when the entire text of a bill or resolution or a section of a bill or resolution is new, it is not underlined.]