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FISCAL IMPACT STATEMENT

LS 6804

BILL NUMBER: HB 1227

NOTE PREPARED: Jan 12, 2024

BILL AMENDED:

SUBJECT: Opioid Overdose Reversal Medication in Schools.

FIRST AUTHOR: Rep. Boy

FIRST SPONSOR:

BILL STATUS: As Introduced

FUNDS AFFECTED: **GENERAL**
 DEDICATED
 FEDERAL

IMPACT: Local

Summary of Legislation: This bill sets forth certain requirements concerning naloxone nasal spray.

Effective Date: July 1, 2024.

Explanation of State Expenditures: The bill requires the State Health Commissioner or their designee to issue a statewide standing order or prescription for naloxone nasal spray. This spray is currently available over-the-counter and does not require a standing order or prescription. There is no workload impact for the agency.

Explanation of State Revenues:

Explanation of Local Expenditures: Beginning in FY 2025, provisions in this bill require public schools to partner with an opioid overdose prevention organization to assist the school in stocking and maintaining at least 1 carton of naloxone nasal spray for every 500 students enrolled in the school. This is estimated to increase statewide public school expenditures by \$90,000 to stock the necessary amount of naloxone. Schools may experience additional costs to provide storage for the medications and to refill the school's naloxone inventory as needed. Expenditures would decrease dependent on the amount of naloxone nasal spray schools currently have in storage and to the extent that schools are able to partner with organizations offering free naloxone.

Additional Information -

(Revised) Narcan, a popular brand name for naloxone nasal spray, is an antidote for opioid overdoses. Narcan

is produced by Emergent Biosolutions, who offers the drug at a public interest rate of \$41 per carton. Each carton contains two doses of the drug and has a shelf life of three years. Schools are currently authorized, but not required, to stock naloxone. Dependent on the amount of naloxone nasal spray schools currently have in stock, school expenditures may be lower than projected.

U.S. high schools are also eligible to receive two free cartons of Narcan through Emergent Biosolutions' Free Goods Program. LSA assumed all eligible schools would participate in the Free Goods Program when calculating the estimated total cost for public schools. Indiana schools may further decrease expenditures by partnering with an opioid prevention organization. For example, schools who partner with Overdose Lifeline may receive free naloxone from the organization's Indiana School Naloxone Project which provided 75 emergency medical boxes containing naloxone to 56 school districts in 2022.

Explanation of Local Revenues:

State Agencies Affected:

Local Agencies Affected: Public schools.

Information Sources: Overdose Lifeline, 2022 Annual Report.

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National Overdose Prevention Network, <https://nopn.org/resources/free-narcan-nasal-spray-for-eligible-schools;>

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[https://rwjms.rutgers.edu/documents/departments/Psychiatry/Addiction%20Psychiatry/FAQ%20Shelf%20Life%20Extension%20and%20Updated%20Storage%20Conditions%20Final.pdf;](https://rwjms.rutgers.edu/documents/departments/Psychiatry/Addiction%20Psychiatry/FAQ%20Shelf%20Life%20Extension%20and%20Updated%20Storage%20Conditions%20Final.pdf)

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