

LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ESTIMATE

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SENATE, No. 3287

STATE OF NEW JERSEY
220th LEGISLATURE

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SUMMARY

Synopsis:	Requires institutions of higher education to maintain supply and develop policy governing use of naloxone hydrochloride nasal spray for opioid overdose emergencies.
Type of Impact:	Annual expenditure increase to public institutions of higher education.
Agencies Affected:	Public institutions of higher education.

Office of Legislative Services Estimate

Fiscal Impact	<u>Annual</u>
Cost Increase for Public Institutions of Higher Education	Indeterminate

- The Office of Legislative Services (OLS) determines that this bill will lead to an indeterminate, but likely marginal, increase in annual expenditures for public institutions of higher education associated with obtaining and maintaining a supply of naloxone hydrochloride nasal spray.
- The cost of maintaining the supply is dependent on the number of doses purchased, the number of doses used annually, and the supplier of the medication. However, the OLS notes that the cost of naloxone hydrochloride nasal spray may range from \$20 to \$70 per dose.

BILL DESCRIPTION

This bill requires institutions of higher education to maintain a supply of naloxone hydrochloride nasal spray for opioid overdose emergencies and permits emergency administration of naloxone hydrochloride nasal spray by licensed campus medical professionals and designated members of the higher education community.

Institutions of higher education are to obtain a supply of naloxone hydrochloride nasal spray pursuant to a standing order issued by a health care practitioner to be maintained in secure and

easily accessible locations throughout the campus in order to respond to an opioid overdose emergency.

The bill also directs the office of the Secretary of Higher Education, in consultation with the Department of Human Services and appropriate medical experts, to establish guidelines for the development of a policy by an institution of higher education for the emergency administration of naloxone hydrochloride nasal spray. Institutions would then be required to develop a policy concerning the emergency administration of naloxone hydrochloride nasal spray for opioid overdose emergencies occurring on campus. The bill provides certain stipulations for the policy, including a requirement that the institution offer an overdose victim transportation to a hospital emergency room by emergency services personnel after the administration of naloxone hydrochloride nasal spray. A member of the higher education community designated to administer naloxone hydrochloride nasal spray is only to be authorized to administer the spray after receiving the required training. The guidelines developed by the office of the Secretary of Higher Education are to specify an appropriate entity or entities to provide the training.

FISCAL ANALYSIS

EXECUTIVE BRANCH

None received.

OFFICE OF LEGISLATIVE SERVICES

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Institutions of higher education may incur an additional cost associated with providing transportation of an overdose victim to a hospital emergency room by emergency services personnel. Furthermore, institutions may incur an additional cost to provide the required training to designated members of the higher education community on the administration of naloxone hydrochloride nasal spray.

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This legislative fiscal estimate has been produced by the Office of Legislative Services due to the failure of the Executive Branch to respond to our request for a fiscal note.

This fiscal estimate has been prepared pursuant to P.L.1980, c.67 (C.52:13B-6 et seq.).