## **House of Representatives**



General Assembly

File No. 639

February Session, 2022

House Bill No. 5436

House of Representatives, April 26, 2022

The Committee on Appropriations reported through REP. WALKER of the 93rd Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

# AN ACT CONCERNING LEGISLATIVE OVERSIGHT AND APPROVAL FOR THE EXPENDITURE OF OPIOID LITIGATION SETTLEMENT FUNDS.

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

- 1 Section 1. (Effective from passage) (a) (1) Not later than ten days after
- 2 the effective date of this section, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and
- 3 Management shall submit recommended allocations of opioid litigation
- 4 settlement funds received, or anticipated to be received, by the state to
- 5 the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having
- 6 cognizance of matters relating to public health and appropriations and
- 7 the budgets of state agencies.
- 8 (2) Not later than fifteen days after receipt of the recommended
- 9 allocations from the secretary, said joint standing committees shall hold
- 10 a meeting to report their approval or modifications, if any, of such
- recommended allocations to the secretary. Disbursement of such funds
- shall be in accordance with such partial or final allocations, as approved
- 13 or modified by said committees, and no disbursement of such funds

shall occur prior to said committees reporting their approval or modifications to the secretary.

- (b) If it is determined that any amount allocated and approved or modified pursuant to subsection (a) of this section is not allowable under the terms of the settlement, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall immediately notify the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies of the specific amount and recipient of such allocation and the reason for such determination.
- (c) The secretary shall report any proposed change in the recommended allocations made pursuant to this section to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies. Not later than fifteen days after receipt of such report, said committees shall hold a meeting to report their approval or modifications, if any, of such recommended allocations to the secretary. Disbursement of such funds shall be in accordance with such partial or final allocations, as approved or modified by said committees, and no disbursement of such funds shall occur prior to said committees reporting their approval or modifications to the secretary.
- (d) Not later than October 1, 2022, the Secretary of the Office of Policy and Management shall submit a report, in accordance with the provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters relating to public health and appropriations and the budgets of state agencies concerning the receipt and expenditure of funds received by the state pursuant to the opioid litigation settlement. Such report shall include, but need not be limited to, (1) a full accounting of all funds that have been received and disbursed, and (2) a plan for the disbursement of any remaining funds the secretary anticipates receiving pursuant to said settlement.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following sections:		
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Section 1	from passage	New section

APP Joint Favorable

The following Fiscal Impact Statement and Bill Analysis are prepared for the benefit of the members of the General Assembly, solely for purposes of information, summarization and explanation and do not represent the intent of the General Assembly or either chamber thereof for any purpose. In general, fiscal impacts are based upon a variety of informational sources, including the analyst's professional knowledge. Whenever applicable, agency data is consulted as part of the analysis, however final products do not necessarily reflect an assessment from any specific department.

#### OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

#### Explanation

The bill requires the Office of Policy and Management to submit recommendations for allocations of opioid settlement funds to the Appropriations and Public Health committees. The bill requires those committees to approve any allocation plan before it is implemented. This has no fiscal impact as it does not allocate any funding.

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State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

### OFA Bill Analysis HB 5436

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#### **SUMMARY:**

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EFFECTIVE DATE: From Passage

#### COMMITTEE ACTION

**Appropriations Committee** 

Joint Favorable Yea 49 Nay 0 (04/07/2022)