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SB-1011

AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF OPIOID ANTAGONISTS AND EPINEPHRINE CARTRIDGE INJECTORS BY POLICE OFFICERS.

As Amended by Senate "A" (LCO 8380)

Senate Calendar No.: 201

OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact:

Municipalities	Effect	FY 22 \$	FY 23 \$
Municipal Police Departments	STATE MANDATE ¹ - Cost	See Below	See Below

Explanation

The bill requires all law enforcement units to carry and receive training on opioid antagonists (Narcan). There is a cost to municipalities that do not currently do this, which would vary based on: 1) the number of police officers that receive training, and 2) the amount of Narcan police departments choose to keep on hand. It is not known how many municipal police departments already meet the amendment's requirements and, therefore, would incur no fiscal impact.

As an illustration, the City of Waterbury currently trains and supplies its officers with Narcan at a cost of about \$50 per vial. The training for use of the vial is \$125 per class.

¹ State mandate is defined in Sec. 2-32b(2) of the Connecticut General Statutes, "state mandate" means any state initiated constitutional, statutory or executive action that requires a local government to establish, expand or modify its activities in such a way as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues.

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The bill has no fiscal impact to the state as the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection and other state law enforcement units already carry and are trained in the use of Narcan.

The bill also establishes a working group to study the feasibility of requiring police officers to carry epinephrine cartridges. This has no fiscal impact.

Senate "A" strikes the underlying bill and its associated fiscal impact resulting in the impact described above.

The Out Years

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation and how frequently the Narcan is replaced.

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