



General Assembly

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**Raised Bill No. 5436**

LCO No. 1316



Referred to Committee on APPROPRIATIONS

Introduced by:  
(APP)

***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  
11 recommended allocations to the secretary. Disbursement of such funds  
12 shall be in accordance with such partial or final allocations, as approved  
13 or modified by said committees, and no disbursement of such funds

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

16 (b) If it is determined that any amount allocated and approved or  
17 modified pursuant to subsection (a) of this section is not allowable  
18 under the terms of the settlement, the Secretary of the Office of Policy  
19 and Management shall immediately notify the joint standing  
20 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
21 relating to public health and appropriations and the budgets of state  
22 agencies of the specific amount and recipient of such allocation and the  
23 reason for such determination.

24 (c) The secretary shall report any proposed change in the  
25 recommended allocations made pursuant to this section to the joint  
26 standing committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of  
27 matters relating to public health and appropriations and the budgets of  
28 state agencies. Not later than fifteen days after receipt of such report,  
29 said committees shall hold a meeting to report their approval or  
30 modifications, if any, of such recommended allocations to the secretary.  
31 Disbursement of such funds shall be in accordance with such partial or  
32 final allocations, as approved or modified by said committees, and no  
33 disbursement of such funds shall occur prior to said committees  
34 reporting their approval or modifications to the secretary.

35 (d) Not later than October 1, 2022, the Secretary of the Office of Policy  
36 and Management shall submit a report, in accordance with the  
37 provisions of section 11-4a of the general statutes, to the joint standing  
38 committees of the General Assembly having cognizance of matters  
39 relating to public health and appropriations and the budgets of state  
40 agencies concerning the receipt and expenditure of funds received by  
41 the state pursuant to the opioid litigation settlement. Such report shall  
42 include, but need not be limited to, (1) a full accounting of all funds that  
43 have been received and disbursed, and (2) a plan for the disbursement  
44 of any remaining funds the secretary anticipates receiving pursuant to  
45 said settlement.

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

**Statement of Purpose:**

To require legislative oversight and approval for the expenditure of opioid litigation settlement funds.

*[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.]*