



General Assembly

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Proposed Bill No. 5313

LCO No. 815



Referred to Committee on GENERAL LAW

Introduced by:

REP. CANDELORA V., 86th Dist.
REP. O'DEA, 125th Dist.
REP. RUTIGLIANO, 123rd Dist.
REP. ACKERT, 8th Dist.

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REP. CARNEY, 23rd Dist.

AN ACT CONCERNING A COORDINATED STATE STRATEGY TO FIGHT OPIOID ABUSE.

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

- 1 That (1) chapter 319j of the general statutes be amended to fund and
- 2 expand the peer navigator program for persons with opioid abuse
- 3 disorder, (2) chapter 420b of the general statutes be amended to increase
- 4 criminal penalties for the unlawful manufacture or sale of a controlled
- 5 substance, and (3) the Office of the Chief Drug Policy Officer be
- 6 established for the purpose of coordinating efforts across state agencies
- 7 to fight opioid abuse.

Statement of Purpose:

To coordinate state efforts to fight the scourge of opioid abuse and the deadly effects of fentanyl.