BILL SUMMARY

2nd Session of the 58th Legislature

Bill No.: SB 1275 Version: Engrossed

Request Number:

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Impact: No direct fiscal impact anticipated

Research Analysis

SB 1275 allows funds from the Political Subdivisions Opioid Abatement Grants Act to be used to address the needs of parents and caregivers caring for babies with neonatal abstinence syndrome, to reimburse or fund mental health response training for law enforcement and emergency responders, and to reimburse attorney fees and allowable expenses directly related to opioid litigation incurred as part of legal services agreements entered into before May 21, 2020. The measure strikes language regarding first responder organizations in the definition of *eligible participant*, instead defining the term as any political subdivision impacted by the opioid crisis. Additionally, the measure adjusts the criteria by which opioid grant awards will be allocated by adding the amount of attorney fees and allowable expenses directly related to opioid litigation incurred as part of legal services agreements entered into before May 21, 2020.

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Fiscal Analysis

The measure, as engrossed, would modify eligible recipients of and eligible purposes of grants awarded pursuant to the Political Subdivisions Opioid Abatement Grants Act.

Upon review, no direct fiscal impact to the state is anticipated from passage of the measure. The expansion of eligible recipients and purposes does not create a need for additional appropriations as funds were previously appropriated to implement the Political Subdivisions Opioid Abatement Grants Act: <u>HB 4140 (2020)</u>.

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Other Considerations

None.

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