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Bill Analysis

The CS for SB 1275 modifies the scope of the “approved purpose” of funds relating to the Political Subdivisions Opioid Abatement Grants Act. The measure provides that approved purpose can include addressing the needs of parents and caregivers caring for babies with neonatal abstinence syndrome. Additionally, provides that such funds can be used to fund mental health response training to law enforcement as well as reimbursing attorney fees and expenses directly related to opioid litigation incurred as part of legal services agreements entered into before May 21, 2020. The measure strikes first responder organizations from the Act and broadens eligible participants to include every subdivision negatively impacted by the opioid crisis. Statutory language dictating the disbursement of funds from the Oklahoma Opioid Abatement Board is stricken and replaced with language authorizing the Board to adopt a method for disbursement. The CS adds clarifying language to the measure.

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