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Bill Analysis

SB 1344 directs the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services, the State Department of Health, and the Oklahoma Health Care Authority to collaborate in finding funding opportunities for educational and health care services related to nonopioid alternatives as well as to assist political subdivisions that receive opioid grant awards under the Political Subdivisions Opioid Abatement Grants Act. The measure prohibits the Authority and contracted entities from denying coverage of a nonopioid drug in favor of an opioid drug. Additionally, the measure clarifies that it shall not preclude opioid drugs from being preferred over other opioid drugs or nonopioid drugs from being preferred over other nonopioid drugs.

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