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SB-1011

AN ACT CONCERNING THE USE OF OPIOID ANTAGONISTS AND EPINEPHRINE CARTRIDGE INJECTORS BY POLICE OFFICERS.

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## ***OFA Fiscal Note***

### ***State Impact:***

<b>Agency Affected</b>	<b>Fund-Effect</b>	<b>FY 22 \$</b>	<b>FY 23 \$</b>
Emergency Services and Public Protection, Dept.; Legislative Mgmt.; Department of Energy and Environmental Protection	GF - Cost	At least 320,000	See Below
Higher Education Constituent Units	Various - Cost	At least 50,000	See Below

Note: GF=General Fund; Various=Various

### ***Municipal Impact:***

<b>Municipalities</b>	<b>Effect</b>	<b>FY 22 \$</b>	<b>FY 23 \$</b>
Municipal Police Departments	STATE MANDATE <sup>1</sup> - Cost	See Below	See Below

### ***Explanation***

The bill requires all law enforcement units to carry and receive training on opioid antagonists (Narcan) and epinephrine (EpiPen's) resulting in a cost to various agencies, the higher education constituent units, and municipal police departments.

State agency and higher education law enforcement units already

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<sup>1</sup> State mandate is defined in Sec. 2-32b(2) of the Connecticut General Statutes, "state mandate" means any state initiated constitutional, statutory or executive action that requires a local government to establish, expand or modify its activities in such a way as to necessitate additional expenditures from local revenues.

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receive this training and carry Narcan but do not carry EpiPen's, resulting in a cost in FY 22 of at least \$320,000 for the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection, Legislative Management, and the Department of Energy and Environmental Protection, and at least \$50,000 aggregately for the higher education constituent units. Funding is required to equip each officer with one adult and one children's EpiPen for a cost of approximately \$300 per officer. The ongoing cost will be dependent on how frequently these are used and need to be replaced<sup>2</sup>.

The cost to municipalities would vary based on: 1) how many police officers receive training on the use of Narcan and epinephrine, and 2) how much Narcan and epinephrine police departments choose to keep on hand. It is not known how many municipal police departments already meet the bill's requirements and, therefore, would incur no fiscal impact. For context, it is estimated that supplying the Department of Emergency Services and Public Protection with one Narcan, one adult EpiPen and one children's EpiPen would cost approximately \$338 per trooper.

### ***The Out Years***

The annualized ongoing fiscal impact identified above would continue into the future subject to inflation and how frequently the medications need to be replaced.

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<sup>2</sup> If unused, epinephrine expires in approximately 12-24 months.