



HOUSE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

FISCAL NOTE

SENATE BILL NO. 432

PRINTERS NO. 1432

PRIME SPONSOR: Phillips-Hill

COST / (SAVINGS)

FUND	FY 2019/20	FY 2020/21
General Fund	See Fiscal Impact	See Fiscal Impact

SUMMARY: Senate Bill 432, Printer's Number 1432, amends the Achieving Better Care by Monitoring All Prescriptions (ABC-MAP) Act to expand the list of authorized users who may query the system. This legislation would be effective in 60 days.

ANALYSIS: SB 432 amends Section 9 (Access to prescription information) of the ABC-MAP Act to expand access to the following:

- Contracted staff who are responsible for the development and evaluation of quality improvement strategies, program integrity or internal compliance reviews and data reporting for the Medical Assistance Program, Children's Health Insurance Program, Pharmaceutical Assistance Contract for the Elderly (PACE) or PACE Needs Enhancement Tier (PACENET).
- Personnel of MA MCOs who are engaged in care management, the development and evaluation of quality improvement strategies, program integrity initiatives or conducting internal compliance reviews and data reporting regarding those individuals who are served by the MA MCO. The query may include both dispensing and prescribing information.
 - If the MA MCO has reason to believe the controlled substance was prescribed or dispensed fraudulently, the MA MCO shall notify the Department of Human Services and the Attorney General's office.
- Authorized employees of county or municipal health departments for developing educational programs relating to prescribing practices and controlled substance abuse; identifying at-risk individuals to connect them with addiction treatment professionals and programs; and compiling epidemiological data to ensure that security of the system when an authorized county or municipal health department employee accesses the system.

In addition, this legislation prohibits political subdivisions of the Commonwealth from establishing a prescription drug monitoring database.

FISCAL IMPACT: Enactment of this legislation should have no adverse fiscal impact on Commonwealth funds and could result in savings to the Medicaid program by reducing payments for fraudulent prescriptions and potentially decreasing the number of individuals needing treatment for substance use disorders related to opioid prescriptions.

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Estimates are calculated using the best information available. Actual costs and revenue impact incurred may vary from estimates.