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Senate Bill 200 (as introduced 3-12-19)
Sponsor: Senator Paul Wojno
Committee: Health Policy and Human Services

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CONTENT

Senate Bill 200 would amend the Public Health Code to allow a prescriber to issue a prescription for, and allow a dispensing prescriber or pharmacist to dispense an opioid antagonist to a public library employee for the purposes of the proposed Administration of Opioid Antagonists by Library Employees Act.

The bill is tie-barred to Senate Bill 199, and would take effect 90 days after its enactment. (Senate Bill 199 would create the "Administration of Opioid Antagonists by Library Employees Act" to allow, among other things, a library employee to administer an opioid antagonist to an individual under certain circumstances.)

The Code, notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, allows a prescriber to issue a prescription for and a dispensing prescriber or pharmacist to dispense an opioid antagonist to various individuals and entities, including the following:

- An individual patient at risk of experiencing an opioid-related overdose.
- A family member, friend, or other individual at risk of experiencing an opioid-related overdose.
- A school board for purposes of Section 1179b of the Revised School Code.

(Section 1179b permits a school board to require, in each school it operates, that there are at least two employees who have been trained in the appropriate use and administration of an opioid antagonist. If the school board does so, it must develop and implement a policy relating to the possession and administration of an opioid antagonist.)

The bill would include in the list of individuals and entities to whom an opioid antagonist may be prescribed a public library for purposes of the proposed Administration of Opioid Antagonists by Library Employees Act.

The Public Health Code requires that, when issuing a prescription for or dispensing an opioid antagonist to a school board or a person other than a patient, the prescriber, dispensing prescriber, or pharmacist, as appropriate, insert the name of the school board or the person as the name of the patient. Under the bill, the prescriber, dispensing prescriber, or pharmacist, if he or she were issuing or dispensing the opioid antagonist to a public library, would have to insert the name of the public library as the name of the patient.

In addition, the bill specifies that, notwithstanding any provision to the contrary, a public library employee or agent who was trained in the administration of an opioid antagonist under

the proposed Act could possess and administer an opioid antagonist dispensed to a public library.

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FISCAL IMPACT

The bill would have no fiscal impact on State or local government.

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