

HOUSE BILL 798

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Assigned to: Health and Government Operations

A BILL ENTITLED

1 AN ACT concerning

2 **Opioid Restitution Fund – Interactive Dashboard**

3 FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Office of Overdose Response, in collaboration
4 with the Maryland Department of Health, to develop and maintain an interactive
5 dashboard on Opioid Restitution Fund spending to share prescription opioid–related
6 settlement information with the public; requiring counties and municipalities
7 receiving settlement funding to provide certain information to the Department to
8 include on the dashboard in a certain manner; requiring that the dashboard be
9 developed and maintained using funds from the Opioid Restitution Fund
10 appropriated through the State budget; and generally relating to an interactive
11 dashboard on Opioid Restitution Fund spending.

12 BY adding to

13 Article – Health – General

14 Section 7.5–1001 to be under the new subtitle “Subtitle 10. Opioid Restitution
15 Settlement Funding Interactive Dashboard”

16 Annotated Code of Maryland

17 (2023 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

18 SECTION 1. BE IT ENACTED BY THE GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF MARYLAND,
19 That the Laws of Maryland read as follows:

20 **Article – Health – General**

21 **SUBTITLE 10. OPIOID RESTITUTION SETTLEMENT FUNDING INTERACTIVE** 22 **DASHBOARD.**

23 **7.5–1001.**

EXPLANATION: CAPITALS INDICATE MATTER ADDED TO EXISTING LAW.

[Brackets] indicate matter deleted from existing law.



1 **(A) THE MARYLAND OFFICE OF OVERDOSE RESPONSE, IN**
2 **COLLABORATION WITH THE DEPARTMENT, SHALL DEVELOP AND MAINTAIN AN**
3 **INTERACTIVE DASHBOARD ON OPIOID RESTITUTION FUND SPENDING FOR THE**
4 **PURPOSE OF SHARING PRESCRIPTION OPIOID-RELATED SETTLEMENT**
5 **INFORMATION WITH THE PUBLIC.**

6 **(B) THE DASHBOARD DEVELOPED AND MAINTAINED UNDER SUBSECTION**
7 **(A) OF THIS SECTION SHALL INCLUDE, DISAGGREGATED BY STATE, COUNTY, AND**
8 **MUNICIPALITY:**

9 **(1) PAYMENT SCHEDULE INFORMATION ON ESTIMATED PAYMENTS**
10 **TO THE STATE, COUNTY, OR MUNICIPALITY FROM OPIOID SETTLEMENTS;**

11 **(2) PAST SPENDING OF SETTLEMENT FUNDS;**

12 **(3) SPENDING PLANS AND PRIORITIES; AND**

13 **(4) A DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF ANY INITIATIVE FUNDED WITH**
14 **SETTLEMENT FUNDS, INCLUDING PERFORMANCE MEASURES IF APPLICABLE.**

15 **(C) THE DASHBOARD SHALL INCLUDE INFORMATION ON PUBLIC HEARINGS**
16 **CONDUCTED IN THE STATE, COUNTY, OR MUNICIPALITY REGARDING THE USE OF**
17 **SETTLEMENT FUNDS FROM THE OPIOID RESTITUTION FUND.**

18 **(D) (1) A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY RECEIVING SETTLEMENT FUNDS**
19 **SHALL PROVIDE TO THE DEPARTMENT THE NECESSARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION**
20 **RELATED TO SETTLEMENT FUNDING TO INCLUDE AS INFORMATION ON THE**
21 **DASHBOARD.**

22 **(2) INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE PROVIDED UNDER PARAGRAPH**
23 **(1) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF ANY**
24 **OPIOID-RELATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT.**

25 **(3) THE DEPARTMENT SHALL ESTABLISH AN ONLINE PORTAL WITH**
26 **INSTRUCTIONS FOR A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY TO REPORT OR UPLOAD REQUIRED**
27 **INFORMATION TO THE DEPARTMENT FOR USE IN THE DASHBOARD.**

28 **(E) TO THE EXTENT PRACTICABLE, THE DASHBOARD SHALL USE EXISTING**
29 **PLATFORMS THAT PROVIDE DATA ON OPIOID USE AND OVERDOSES IN THE STATE.**

1 **(F) THE DASHBOARD SHALL BE DEVELOPED AND MAINTAINED USING**
2 **FUNDS FROM THE OPIOID RESTITUTION FUND AS APPROPRIATED THROUGH THE**
3 **STATE BUDGET.**

4 SECTION 2. AND BE IT FURTHER ENACTED, That this Act shall take effect
5 October 1, 2025.