Chapter 691

(Senate Bill 589)

AN ACT concerning

Opioid Restitution Fund – Interactive Dashboard

FOR the purpose of requiring the Maryland Office of Overdose Response, in collaboration with the Maryland Department of Health, to develop and maintain an interactive dashboard on Opioid Restitution Fund spending to share prescription opioid–related settlement information with the public; <u>requiring the dashboard to include links to the State, county, or municipal websites that provide access to additional information on the use of opioid–related settlement funds;</u> requiring counties and municipalities receiving settlement funding to provide certain information to the Department to include on the dashboard in a certain manner; requiring that the dashboard be developed and maintained using funds from the Opioid Restitution Fund appropriated through the State budget; and generally relating to an interactive dashboard on Opioid Restitution Fund spending.

BY adding to
    Article – Health – General
    Section 7.5–1001 to be under the new subtitle "Subtitle 10. Opioid Restitution Settlement Funding Interactive Dashboard"
    Annotated Code of Maryland
    (2023 Replacement Volume and 2024 Supplement)

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

Article – Health – General

SUBTITLE 10. OPIOID RESTITUTION SETTLEMENT FUNDING INTERACTIVE DASHBOARD.

7.5–1001.

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

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

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

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

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

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

(C) ~~THE~~ **IF THERE IS A STATE, COUNTY, OR MUNICIPAL WEBSITE THAT PROVIDES ACCESS TO ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ON THE USE OF OPIOID–RELATED SETTLEMENT FUNDS BY THE STATE, COUNTY, OR MUNICIPALITY, THE** DASHBOARD SHALL INCLUDE ~~INFORMATION ON PUBLIC HEARINGS CONDUCTED IN THE STATE, COUNTY, OR MUNICIPALITY REGARDING THE USE OF SETTLEMENT FUNDS FROM THE OPIOID RESTITUTION FUND~~ **A LINK TO THE STATE, COUNTY, OR MUNICIPAL WEBSITE.**

(D) (1) **THIS SUBSECTION DOES NOT APPLY TO A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY THAT:**

(I) **COMPLIES WITH REPORTING REQUIREMENTS ESTABLISHED IN AN OPIOID–RELATED SETTLEMENT; AND**

(II) **SHARES THE DATA IN THE REPORTS REQUIRED UNDER AN OPIOID–RELATED SETTLEMENT WITH THE APPROPRIATE STATE ENTITY.**

(2) **A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY RECEIVING SETTLEMENT FUNDS SHALL PROVIDE TO THE DEPARTMENT THE NECESSARY FINANCIAL INFORMATION RELATED TO SETTLEMENT FUNDING TO INCLUDE AS INFORMATION ON THE DASHBOARD.**

~~(2)~~ **(3)** **INFORMATION REQUIRED TO BE PROVIDED UNDER PARAGRAPH ~~(1)~~ (2) OF THIS SUBSECTION SHALL BE IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF ANY OPIOID–RELATED SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT.**

~~(3)~~ **(4)** **THE DEPARTMENT SHALL UPLOAD OPIOID–RELATED SETTLEMENT INFORMATION SUBMITTED TO THE DEPARTMENT BY A COUNTY OR MUNICIPALITY IN COMPLIANCE WITH THE TERMS OF AN OPIOID–RELATED SETTLEMENT.**

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

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

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

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

Approved by the Governor, May 20, 2025.