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H.P. 75

House of Representatives, January 8, 2025

**An Act to Require Reporting on the Expenditure of Opioid
Settlement Funds by Certain Municipalities and County
Governments**

Reference to the Committee on Health and Human Services suggested and ordered printed.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Robert B. Hunt".

ROBERT B. HUNT
Clerk

Presented by Representative BRENNAN of Portland.
Cosponsored by Representatives: CAMPBELL of Orrington, CLOUTIER of Lewiston,
CRAFTS of Newcastle, GATTINE of Westbrook, GRAMLICH of Old Orchard Beach,
MEYER of Eliot, SACHS of Freeport, Senator: INGWERSEN of York.

1 **Be it enacted by the People of the State of Maine as follows:**

2 **Sec. 1. 5 MRSA §203-D** is enacted to read:

3 **§203-D. Reporting on funds received by direct share subdivisions pursuant to court**
4 **settlement of opioid crisis litigation**

5 A direct share subdivision that receives funds pursuant to the court settlements of the
6 opioid crisis litigation, as set forth in the Memoranda of Understanding, shall submit a
7 report to the Attorney General by January 15, 2026, and annually thereafter, detailing the
8 amount of such funds received and expended in the prior calendar year, including a
9 description of each such expenditure.

10 As used in this section, "Memoranda of Understanding" has the same meaning as in
11 section 203-C, subsection 1, paragraph C and "direct share subdivision" means a
12 municipality or county that is a plaintiff subdivision identified in Exhibit 3 of the
13 Memoranda of Understanding.

14 **SUMMARY**

15 This bill requires that a direct share subdivision that receives opioid settlement funds
16 in accordance with the Maine State-Subdivision Memorandum of Understanding and
17 Agreement Regarding Use of Settlement Funds, dated and signed on January 26, 2022, and
18 the Maine State-Subdivision Memorandum of Understanding and Agreement Regarding
19 Use of Settlement Funds-2023, dated and signed on May 2, 2023, collectively referred to
20 in the bill as the Memoranda of Understanding, must submit an annual report to the
21 Attorney General detailing the amount of such funds received and expended in the prior
22 calendar year and including a description of each such expenditure. The first annual report
23 must be submitted by January 15, 2026. A direct share subdivision is defined in the bill as
24 a municipality or county that is a plaintiff subdivision identified in Exhibit 3 of the
25 Memoranda of Understanding.