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# SENATE COMMITTEE ON APPROPRIATIONS

Senator Anthony Portantino, Chair  
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## SB 310 (Rubio) - Unused medications: cancer medication recycling

**Version:** April 8, 2021

**Policy Vote:** B., P. & E.D. 14 - 0, JUD. 11  
- 0

**Urgency:** No

**Mandate:** Yes

**Hearing Date:** May 20, 2021

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**Bill Summary:** SB 310 establishes the Cancer Medication Recycling Act for the collection and redistribution of unused cancer medications.

\*\*\*\*\* **ANALYSIS ADDENDUM – SUSPENSE FILE** \*\*\*\*\*

The following information is revised to reflect amendments  
adopted by the committee on May 20, 2021

**Fiscal Impact:**

- Unknown fiscal impact to the Medical Board of California, likely ranging in the low hundreds of thousands of dollars, to implement the program. Initial startup costs would include workload related to developing forms and information technology changes. Ongoing costs would include workload related to reviewing applications and conducting other enforcement activities.
- Unknown, potential increase in fee revenue from physicians participating in the program, to be deposited in the Medical Board Contingent Fund. While fee revenue may offset, to some extent, administrative and enforcement costs, revenue will likely not be substantial enough to cover the Board's total costs to operate the program.

The Board is a special fund agency whose activities are funded through regulatory and license fees. The Board is currently experiencing a challenge with its reserve fund, which is expected to have less than a one-month spending reserve by the end of Fiscal Year 2021-22. Additionally, the Board is currently at or close to its statutory fee cap across all of its license types. Absent a statutory change, the Board would not be able to increase its fees.

**Author Amendments:** Limit the number of physicians who may participate in the program to 50.

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