CHAPTER 2017-191

House Bill No. 5203

An act relating to the prescription drug monitoring program; amending s. 893.055, F.S.; authorizing the use of state funds for administration of the program; deleting a requirement that implementation of the program is contingent on nonstate funding; providing an effective date.

Be It Enacted by the Legislature of the State of Florida:

Section 1. Subsection (10) of section 893.055, Florida Statutes, is amended to read:

893.055 Prescription drug monitoring program.—

(10) All costs incurred by the department in administering the prescription drug monitoring program shall be funded through federal grants, or private funding applied for or received by the state, or state funds appropriated in the General Appropriations Act. The department may not commit funds for the monitoring program without ensuring funding is available. The prescription drug monitoring program and the implementation thereof are contingent upon receipt of the nonstate funding. The department and state government shall cooperate with the direct-support organization established pursuant to subsection (11) in seeking federal grant funds, other nonstate grant funds, gifts, donations, or other private moneys for the department if the costs of doing so are not considered material. Nonmaterial costs for this purpose include, but are not limited to, the costs of mailing and personnel assigned to research or apply for a grant. Notwithstanding the exemptions to competitive-solicitation requirements under s. 287.057(3)(e), the department shall comply with the competitive-solicitation requirements under s. 287.057 for the procurement of any goods or services required by this section. Funds provided, directly or indirectly, by prescription drug manufacturers may not be used to implement the program.

Section 2. This act shall take effect July 1, 2017.

Approved by the Governor June 26, 2017.

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