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Bill Analysis

SB 711 directs the Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services to provide emergency opioid antagonists to the Department of Corrections as well as county jails, subject to federal funding. An emergency opiate antagonist is defined as a drug including but not limited to naloxone that blocks the effects of opioids and that is approved by the United States Food and Drug Administration for the treatment of an opioid overdose. The Department of Mental Health and Substance Abuse Services shall develop an opioid overdose education program to be used by the Department of Corrections and county jails. The measure directs the Department of Corrections or a county jail to provide a discharged inmate with 2 doses of an opioid antagonist if the inmate is diagnosed with an opioid use disorder and, additionally in the case of a county jail, if the person was confined in the jail for an offense related to possession of an opioid drug. Before the Department of Corrections or a county jail provides an opioid antagonist to an inmate, the Department or the jail shall ensure that the inmate or person is provided with the opioid overdose education program provided by the Department of Mental Health.

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