

ASSEMBLY HEALTH AND SENIOR SERVICES COMMITTEE

STATEMENT TO

ASSEMBLY, No. 3292

STATE OF NEW JERSEY

DATED: MARCH 5, 2018

The Assembly Health and Senior Services Committee reports favorably Assembly Bill No. 3292.

This bill requires that the container for any prescription opioid medication dispensed in the State is to include a warning sticker describing the risks of opioid medications. The Director of the Division of Consumer Affairs in the Department of Law and Public Safety, in consultation with the Department of Health, will specify by rule or regulation the location on the medication container where the warning sticker is to be affixed and the specific language to be included on the warning sticker, which, at a minimum, is to indicate that the medication is an opioid and that opioid medications carry a risk of addiction and overdose. Unless otherwise provided by rules or regulations promulgated by the director, the sticker is to be red in color with text printed in a white font large enough to be easily and clearly readable.