



ANALYSIS

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Senate Bill 801 (as reported without amendment)

Sponsor: Senator Rick Jones

Committee: Judiciary

## **CONTENT**

The bill would amend the Public Health Code to classify tianeptine sodium as a Schedule 2 controlled substance.

Article 7 of the Code governs the manufacture, distribution, and possession of controlled substances, and prescribes a range of criminal penalties for violations. The requirements, prohibitions, and penalties depend, in part, on whether a drug is a Schedule 1, 2, 3, 4, or 5 controlled substance. Article 7 identifies specific drugs in each schedule and authorizes the Michigan Board of Pharmacy to add controlled substances to the schedules.

Section 7214 designates certain substances as Schedule 2 controlled substances. The bill would add tianeptine sodium to those listed in Section 7214.

MCL 333.7214 Legislative Analyst: Jeff Mann

## **FISCAL IMPACT**

The bill could have a negative fiscal impact on State and local government. There are no data available to indicate how many people would be convicted of manufacturing, delivering, or possessing a Schedule 2 drug if tianeptine sodium were added to the drugs listed on the schedule. More misdemeanor and felony arrests and convictions could increase resource demands on law enforcement, court systems, community supervision, jails, and correctional facilities. The average cost to State government for felony probation supervision is approximately \$3,024 per probationer per year. For any increase in prison intakes, in the short term, the marginal cost to State government is approximately \$3,764 per prisoner per year. Any associated increase in fine revenue increases funding to public libraries.

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