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Dear Mr. Clerk,

Enclosed, please find a report submitted pursuant to Line Item 4510-0108 of Chapter 47 of the Acts of 2017.

Sincerely,

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State Office of Pharmacy Services

2018 Report

June 2018



Legislative Mandate

The following report is hereby issued pursuant to Line Item 4510-0108 of Chapter 47 of the Acts of 2017 as follows:

4510-0108.. For the costs of pharmaceutical drugs and services provided by the state office for pharmacy services, in this item called SOPS... and provided further, that SOPS shall report to the house and senate committees on ways and means not later than April 17, 2018 detailing recommendations for the inclusion of other entities that may realize cost savings by joining SOPS..... \$47,865,393

Report

The State Office of Pharmacy Services (SOPS) within the Department of Public Health provides the Commonwealth of Massachusetts an integrated system benefiting several separate and distinct agencies. SOPS currently provides pharmacy services to the following agencies: the Department of Public Health; the Department of Mental Health; the Department of Developmental Services; the Department of Correction; the Barnstable, Berkshire, Bristol, Dukes; Essex, Franklin, Hampden, Hampshire, Middlesex, Norfolk, Plymouth, and Suffolk Houses of Correction; and the Soldiers' Homes in the cities of Holyoke and Chelsea. As part of the FY2018 budget, SOPS is statutorily required to report on recommendations for entities that may realize cost savings through this program. At this time, SOPS does not have any recommendation for additional entities.