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Sponsor Statement — Version A

“An Act relating to the Controlled Substances Advisory Committee.”

The Controlled Substances Advisory Committee advises the Governor and the Department of Law of when to schedule or re-schedule substances in law and recommends regulatory changes to the Board of Pharmacy.

The Committee is currently administered by the Department of Law. The Department is overburdened by staffing this committee and cannot prioritize its work. DOL has requested that the committee be reassigned to the Department of Commerce, Community, and Economic Development (DCCED). The Controlled Substance Advisory Committee includes a member of the Board of Pharmacy, which is administered by DCCED.

Reassigning the Controlled Substance Advisory Committee will ensure that the committee can conduct its statutory responsibilities and improve public health and public safety.