ITEM: gb #5-246

STANDING COMMITTEE: GOVERNANCE AND EMPLOYEE ISSUES

DATE OF MEETING: Monday, March 13, 2017

<u>ITEM</u>: Mr. Monfredo/Miss Ramirez/Mr. Foley/Mr. O'Connell/Miss Biancheria (September 14, 2015)

Request that the School Committee support a bill, submitted by State Senator Jennifer Flanagan, that addresses ways of dealing with Opioid addiction such as school drug screening called "Screening, Brief Intervention and Referral to Treatment" or SBIRT.

PRIOR ACTION:

10-1-15 - Referred to the Standing Committee on Governance and Employee Issues.

Mr. Monfredo requested that Dr. McGovern and a representative from the Department of Public Health be invited to the meeting of the Standing Committee on Governance and Employee Issues when the item is discussed.

Mr. Monfredo made the following motion:

Request that the Administration request a copy of the report regarding Opioids from the City and provide it as part of the backup for the item.

On a voice vote, the motion was approved.

Ms. Novick announced that the amended bill regarding Opioid addiction passed the Senate and requested that the Administration seek a copy of the amended bill which will be moved to the House.

Ms. Novick requested that if a screening of all 7th and 10th grade students is required by the nurses that an estimated cost be provided in the backup when the item is discussed.

BACKUP:

Since the Bill has passed and the Administration is implementing it, it recommends that the item be filed.