

## Sedgwick County

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## **Legislation Text**

File #: 17-1037, Version: 1

## RESOLUTION TO DECLARE THE OPIOID CRISIS AS A PUBLIC NUISANCE.

Presented by: Michael Fessinger, Assistant County Counselor.

**RECOMMENDED ACTION:** Take action as deemed necessary.

This resolution, if passed, will aid in future planned litigation against drug manufacturers/distributers under the theory that such manufacturers/distributers did not uphold their duty of reporting large, suspicious distributions of prescription opioids into Sedgwick County. This litigation, if successful, will provide a source of funds for the County that could be used for, among other things, funding government services that combat the effects of the national opioid crisis. This litigation may also result in reducing the availability of prescription opioids for those who abuse large quantities.

Alternatives: Do not adopt the Resolution.

Financial Considerations: The Commissioners are empowered to transact all county business and perform all powers of local legislation pursuant to KSA 19-101a.

Legal Considerations: The Commissioners are empowered to transact all county business and perform all powers of local legislation pursuant to KSA 19-101a.

Policy Considerations: See above for policy consideration.

Outside Attendees:

Multimedia Presentation: n/a