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117TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To amend the Public Health Service Act to authorize grants to certain States to inform patients about the risks of opioids and their analogues, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. TRONE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

A BILL

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1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Opioid Patients’ Right
5 to Know Act of 2021”.

1 **SEC. 2. GRANT PROGRAM TO INFORM PATIENTS ABOUT**
2 **THE RISKS OF OPIOIDS AND THEIR ANA-**
3 **LOGUES.**

4 Part J of title III of the Public Health Service Act
5 (42 U.S.C. 280b et seq.) is amended by inserting after
6 section 392A (42 U.S.C. 280b–1) the following:

7 **“SEC. 392B. GRANT PROGRAM TO INFORM PATIENTS ABOUT**
8 **THE RISKS OF OPIOIDS AND THEIR ANA-**
9 **LOGUES.**

10 “(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary, acting through
11 the Director of the Centers for Disease Control and Pre-
12 vention, shall award one grant (over the life of the pro-
13 gram under this section) to each eligible State to inform
14 covered health care providers about—

15 “(1) the requirement of the State described in
16 subsection (b); and

17 “(2) recommendations for safe opioid pre-
18 scribing, including co-prescribing naloxone as appro-
19 priate.

20 “(b) ELIGIBILITY.—To be eligible to receive a grant
21 under subsection (a), a State must have in effect a law
22 or regulation requiring covered health care providers, be-
23 fore issuing a new prescription for a covered drug or ana-
24 logue, to inform the patient involved, and the patient’s
25 guardian if the patient has a guardian, about—

26 “(1) the risks of such covered drug or analogue;

1 “(2) the addictive qualities of such covered drug
2 or analogue; and

3 “(3) non-opioid treatments to such covered
4 drug or analogue, as appropriate.

5 “(c) GRANT AMOUNT.—The amount of a grant to a
6 State under this section—

7 “(1) shall be greater than the amount of each
8 grant to a State with a smaller number of covered
9 health providers, as estimated by the Secretary;

10 “(2) shall not exceed \$1,000,000; and

11 “(3) subject to the availability of funds, shall
12 not be less than \$750,000.

13 “(d) DEFINITIONS.—For purposes of this section:

14 “(1) COVERED DRUG OR ANALOGUE.—The
15 term ‘covered drug or analogue’ means a drug that
16 is or contains an opioid (as defined in section 102
17 of the Controlled Substances Act) or an analogue of
18 an opioid.

19 “(2) COVERED HEALTH CARE PROVIDER.—The
20 term ‘covered health care provider’ means a health
21 care provider who issues prescriptions for a covered
22 drug or analogue for the relief of acute pain.

23 “(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
24 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section
25 \$10,000,000 for each of fiscal years 2022 through 2031.”.