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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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Mr. GUTHRIE introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 “Pharmaceutical Infor-
5 mation Exchange Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. FACILITATING EXCHANGE OF INFORMATION PRIOR**
2 **TO APPROVAL.**

3 Section 502(a) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cos-
4 metic Act (21 U.S.C. 352(a)) is amended—

5 (1) by redesignating subparagraph (2) as sub-
6 paragraph (3);

7 (2) by inserting after subparagraph (1) the fol-
8 lowing:

9 “(2) Health care economic information or scientific
10 information provided to a payor, formulary committee, or
11 other similar entity with knowledge and expertise in the
12 area of health care economic analysis carrying out its re-
13 sponsibilities for the selection of drugs for coverage, reim-
14 bursement, or other population-based health care manage-
15 ment, shall not be considered false or misleading or any
16 other form of misbranding under this paragraph, or a vio-
17 lation of section 505 of this Act or section 351 of the Pub-
18 lic Health Service Act, or otherwise prohibited pre-ap-
19 proval promotion of a drug, if it is based on competent
20 and reliable scientific evidence and relates to an investiga-
21 tional new drug or an investigational use of an approved
22 drug. In order for information relating to an investiga-
23 tional use of an approved drug to be provided pursuant
24 to this subparagraph, there must have been submitted to
25 the Secretary a supplemental application for approval of
26 such use, or the study or studies needed to support the

1 submission of a supplemental application for such use
2 must have been completed with the intention that a sup-
3 plemental application will be submitted to the Secretary
4 for approval of the use. For purposes of this subpara-
5 graph, scientific information includes clinical and pre-clin-
6 ical data and results relating to an unapproved drug ther-
7 apy, or drug indication, or other condition of use being
8 investigated or developed.”; and

9 (3) in subparagraph (3), as redesignated—

10 (A) by striking “(A)”; and

11 (B) by striking clause (B).

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