

119TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 8022

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MARCH 19, 2026

Mr. PFLUGER (for himself, Mr. VINDMAN, and Mr. BAUMGARTNER) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

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 “Detection Equipment
5 and Technology Evaluation to Counter the Threat of
6 Nitazenes Act of 2026” or the “DETECT Nitazenes Act
7 of 2026”.

1 **SEC. 2. ENHANCING THE CAPACITY TO DETECT AND IDEN-**
2 **TIFY DRUGS SUCH AS NITAZENES.**

3 Section 302(15) of the Homeland Security Act of
4 2002 (6 U.S.C. 182(15)) is amended, in the matter pre-
5 ceding subparagraph (A), by striking “fentanyl and
6 xylazine” and inserting “fentanyl, xylazine, and
7 nitazenes”.

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