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# S. 2976

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

NOVEMBER 16, 2004

Referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## AN ACT

To amend the Controlled Substances Act to lift the patient limitation on prescribing drug addiction treatments by medical practitioners in group practices, and for other purposes.

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

1 **SECTION 1. MAINTENANCE OR DETOXIFICATION TREAT-**  
2 **MENT WITH CERTAIN NARCOTIC DRUGS;**  
3 **ELIMINATION OF 30-PATIENT LIMIT FOR**  
4 **GROUP PRACTICES.**

5 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 303(g)(2)(B) of the Con-  
6 trolled Substance Act (21 U.S.C. 823(g)(2)(B)) is amend-  
7 ed by striking clause (iv).

8 (b) **CONFORMING AMENDMENT.**—Section  
9 303(g)(2)(B) of the Controlled Substance Act (21 U.S.C.  
10 823(g)(2)(B)) is amended in clause (iii) by striking “In  
11 any case” and all that follows through “the total” and  
12 inserting “The total”.

13 (c) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—This section shall take effect  
14 on the date of enactment of this Act.

Passed the Senate October 11, 2004.

Attest: EMILY J. REYNOLDS,  
*Secretary.*