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S. 1406

To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to
pharmacy compounding.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

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Mr. VITTER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred
to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

A BILL

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respect to pharmacy compounding.

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 “Saving Access to Com-
5 pounded Medications for Special Needs Patients Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. PHARMACY COMPOUNDING.**

7 Section 503A of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cos-
8 metic Act (21 U.S.C. 353a) is amended—

9 (1) by redesignating subsections (b) through (e)
10 as subsections (c) through (f), respectively;

1 (2) by inserting after subsection (a) the fol-
 2 lowing:

3 “(b) DRUG PRODUCTS FOR DISTRIBUTION TO PRAC-
 4 TITIONERS.—Sections 501(a)(2)(B), 502(f)(1), and 505
 5 shall not apply to a drug product if the drug product is
 6 compounded and distributed to a practitioner where, as
 7 permitted under State law, the drug product is used in
 8 the treatment of or administered to a patient of the practi-
 9 tioner, and if the compounding is by—

10 “(1) a licensed pharmacist in a State licensed
 11 pharmacy or a Federal facility; or

12 “(2) a licensed physician.”;

13 (3) in subsection (c), as so redesignated—

14 (A) in paragraph (1)—

15 (i) in the matter preceding subpara-
 16 graph (A), by striking “subsection (a)”
 17 and inserting “subsection (a) or (b)”;

18 (ii) in subparagraph (A)(i)(III), by
 19 striking “subsection (c)” and inserting
 20 “subsection (d)”;

21 (iii) in subparagraph (C), by striking
 22 “; and” and inserting “;”;

23 (iv) in subparagraph (D), by striking
 24 the period and inserting “; and”; and

25 (v) by adding at the end the following:

“(E) complies with standards contained within the United States Pharmacopeial Convention General Chapters pertaining to the compounding of drug products.”;

(B) in paragraph (2), by striking “identified individual patient, which produces for that patient” and inserting “identified individual patient for whom the drug product is compounded under subsection (a) or patients of a practitioner to whom the drug product is compounded and dispensed under subsection (b), which produces for that patient or patients”;

(C) in paragraph (3)—

(i) in the matter preceding subparagraph (A), by striking “subsection (a)” and inserting “subsection (a) or (b)”;

(ii) in subparagraph (B)—

(I) by amending clause (i) to read as follows:

“(i) that has entered into a memorandum of understanding with the Secretary that provides for appropriate investigation by a State agency of complaints relating to compounded drug products distributed outside such State; or”; and

1 (II) by amending clause (ii) to
 2 read as follows:

3 “(ii) that has not entered into a
 4 memorandum of understanding described
 5 in clause (i) and the licensed pharmacist,
 6 licensed pharmacy, or licensed physician
 7 distributes (or causes to be distributed)
 8 compounded drug products out of the
 9 State in which such products are com-
 10 pounded in quantities that do not exceed 5
 11 percent of the total prescription orders dis-
 12 pensed or distributed by such pharmacy or
 13 physician.”; and

14 (iii) in the flush text, by striking “Na-
 15 tional Association of Boards of Pharmacy”
 16 and inserting “States”; and

17 (D) by adding at the end the following:

18 “(4) LIMITATION ON MEMORANDUM OF UNDER-
 19 STANDING.—A memorandum of understanding en-
 20 tered into under paragraph (3)(B)(i) shall not create
 21 an unfunded mandate on a State.”;

22 (4) in subsection (d), as so redesignated—

23 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “sub-
 24 sections (b)(1)(A)(i)(III), (b)(1)(C), or

1 (b)(3)(A)” and inserting “subsections
 2 (c)(1)(A)(i)(III), (c)(1)(C), or (c)(3)(A)”;
 3 (B) in paragraph (2), by striking “sub-
 4 section (b)(1)(A)(i)(III)” and inserting “sub-
 5 section (c)(1)(A)(i)(III)”;
 6 (5) by amending subsection (f), as so redesign-
 7 ated to read as follows:

8 “(f) DEFINITIONS.—

9 “(1) COMPOUNDING.—As used in this section,
 10 the term ‘compounding’ does not include mixing, re-
 11 constituting, or other such acts that are performed
 12 in accordance with directions contained in approved
 13 labeling provided by the product’s manufacturer and
 14 other manufacturer directions consistent with that
 15 labeling.

16 “(2) DISTRIBUTE.—For purposes of this sec-
 17 tion, the term ‘distribute’ does not include the dis-
 18 pensing of a compounded drug product for an identi-
 19 fied individual patient.”.

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