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H. R. 5992

To establish a grant program relating to the prevention of student and student athlete opioid misuse.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JUNE 1, 2018

Ms. ESTY of Connecticut (for herself, Mr. MACARTHUR, and Mr. LARSON of Connecticut) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

To establish a grant program relating to the prevention of student and student athlete opioid misuse.

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 “Student and Student
5 Athlete Opioid Misuse Prevention Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. GRANTS FOR OPIOID MISUSE PREVENTION.**

7 Part A of title V of the Public Health Service Act
8 (42 U.S.C. 290aa et seq.) is amended by adding at the
9 end the following:

1 **“SEC. 506B. GRANTS FOR STUDENT AND STUDENT ATHLETE**

2 **OPIOID MISUSE PREVENTION.**

3 “(a) AUTHORITY.—The Assistant Secretary, in con-
4 sultation with the Secretary of Education, may make
5 grants to, and enter into contracts and cooperative agree-
6 ments with, public and nonprofit private entities, including
7 States and drug-free community coalitions, to enable such
8 entities—

9 “(1) to carry out school-based programs con-
10 cerning the dangers of the misuse of and addiction
11 to prescription opioids, related drugs, and other pre-
12 scribed drugs commonly used in pain management
13 or injury recovery, including initiatives that give stu-
14 dents the responsibility to create their own anti-drug
15 abuse education programs for their schools;

16 “(2) to carry out community-based misuse and
17 addiction prevention programs relating to prescrip-
18 tion opioids, related drugs, and other prescription
19 drugs commonly used in pain management or injury
20 recovery, including youth sports organizations; and

21 “(3) to carry out school, collegiate, and commu-
22 nity-based engagement of youth, high school, or col-
23 legiate athletic and recreation programs and associa-
24 tions concerning the dangers of the misuse of and
25 addiction to prescription opioids, related drugs, and
26 other prescription drugs commonly used in pain

1 management or injury recovery, including initiatives
2 that give student athletes the responsibility to create
3 their own anti-drug abuse education programs for
4 their schools.

5 “(b) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts made available
6 under a grant, contract, or cooperative agreement under
7 subsection (a) shall be used for planning, establishing, or
8 administering prevention programs relating to prescrip-
9 tion opioid, related drugs, and other drugs commonly used
10 in pain management or injury recovery.

11 “(c) USE OF FUNDS.—Amounts provided to an entity
12 under this section may be used—

13 “(1) to carry out school-based programs that
14 are focused on school districts with high or increas-
15 ing rates of misuse of and addiction to prescription
16 and nonprescription opioids, and targeted at popu-
17 lations that are most at risk to start misusing such
18 drugs;

19 “(2) to carry out community-based prevention
20 programs that are focused on populations within the
21 community that are most at risk for misuse of and
22 addiction to prescription and nonprescription
23 opioids;

24 “(3) to carry out school-based prevention pro-
25 grams that are focused on student athletes and the

1 risk of misuse of and addiction to prescription and
2 nonprescription opioids as part of injury recovery
3 and pain management;

4 “(4) to carry out community-based programs
5 that are focused on youth athletes and the risk of
6 misuse of and addiction to prescription and non-
7 prescription opioids as part of injury recovery and
8 pain management;

9 “(5) to carry out collegiate-based programs that
10 are focused on collegiate athletes, including club
11 sports and recreation sports, and the risk for misuse
12 of and addiction to prescription and nonprescription
13 opioids as part of injury recovery and pain manage-
14 ment;

15 “(6) to assist local government entities to con-
16 duct appropriate prevention activities relating to
17 youth and the risk for misuse of and addiction to
18 prescription and nonprescription opioids as part of
19 injury recovery and pain management; and

20 “(7) to train and educate State and local offi-
21 cials; youth athletics organizers and coaches; school
22 administrators, teachers, athletic directors, coaches,
23 and athletic trainers; collegiate administrators, ath-
24 letic directors, directors of campus recreation, coach-
25 es, athletic trainers, and campus-based medical pro-

1 viders, on the signs of misuse of prescription and
2 nonprescription opioids and the options for treat-
3 ment and prevention of such misuse.

4 “(d) ALLOCATION AND REPORT.—

5 “(1) PREVENTION PROGRAM ALLOCATION.—
6 Not more than \$500,000 of the amount appro-
7 priated in each fiscal year to carry out this section
8 shall be made available to the Assistant Secretary,
9 acting in consultation with other Federal agencies,
10 to support and conduct periodic analyses and evalua-
11 tions of effective prevention programs for misuse of
12 and addiction to opioids, related drugs, and other
13 drugs commonly used for pain management and the
14 development of appropriate strategies for dissemi-
15 nating information about and implementing such
16 programs.

17 “(2) REPORT.—The Assistant Secretary shall
18 annually prepare and submit to the Committee on
19 Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions, the Com-
20 mittee on the Judiciary, and the Committee on Ap-
21 propriations of the Senate, and the Committee on
22 Energy and Commerce, the Committee on the Judi-
23 ciary, and the Committee on Appropriations of the
24 House of Representatives, a report on the prevention
25 programs and development of strategies described in

1 paragraph (1), containing, as appropriate, the re-
2 sults of the analyses and evaluations conducted
3 under paragraph (1).

4 “(e) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
5 is authorized to be appropriated to carry out this section—
6 “(1) \$10,000,000 for fiscal year 2018; and
7 “(2) such sums as may be necessary for each
8 succeeding fiscal year.”.

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