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H. R. 8190

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 8, 2020

Mr. GROTHMAN 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 “Biosimilar Insulin Ac-
5 cess Act of 2020”.

1 **SEC. 2. DEEMING BIOSIMILAR INSULIN TO BE INTER-**
2 **CHANGEABLE.**

3 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 351(k)(3) of the Public
4 Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262(k)(3)) is amended by
5 adding at the end the following:

6 “(B) BIOSIMILAR INSULIN.—

7 “(i) DEEMED INTERCHANGEABLE.—

8 Notwithstanding paragraph (4), an insulin
9 is deemed to be interchangeable with the
10 reference product if the insulin is deter-
11 mined by the Secretary to be biosimilar to
12 the reference product.

13 “(ii) SHORTENING EXCLUSIVITY FOR
14 FIRST INTERCHANGEABLE PRODUCT.—

15 “(I) ACTION INSTITUTED.—If an
16 action is instituted under subsection
17 (l)(6) against the applicant that sub-
18 mitted the application for an insulin
19 that is the first approved interchange-
20 able biosimilar biological product,
21 paragraph (6) shall apply with respect
22 to such insulin without regard to
23 paragraph (6)(A).

24 “(II) ACTION NOT INSTI-
25 TUTED.—If such an action is not in-
26 stituted with respect to an insulin

1 that is approved as an interchangeable
2 biosimilar biological product, the Sec-
3 retary shall make a determination on
4 the interchangeability of any second
5 or subsequent biological product with-
6 out regard to the delay otherwise re-
7 quired by paragraph (6).

8 “(iii) APPLICABILITY.—Clause (i) ap-
9 plies without regard to whether the insulin
10 is determined to be biosimilar to the ref-
11 erence product, or deemed to be licensed
12 pursuant to this section, before or after the
13 date of enactment of the Biosimilar Insulin
14 Access Act of 2020.”.

15 (b) CONFORMING CHANGES.—Section 351(k)(3) of
16 the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262(k)(3)) is
17 amended—

18 (1) by striking “Upon review” and inserting the
19 following:

20 “(A) IN GENERAL.—Upon review”;

21 (2) by striking “(A) the Secretary” and insert-
22 ing the following:

23 “(i) the Secretary”;

24 (3) by striking “(i) is biosimilar” and inserting
25 the following:

- 1 “(I) is biosimilar”;
2 (4) by striking “(ii) can be” and inserting the
3 following:
4 “(II) can be”; and
5 (5) by striking “(B) the applicant” and insert-
6 ing the following:
7 “(ii) the applicant”.

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