

114TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. 4918

To direct the Secretary of Health and Human Services to issue guidance for the safe prescribing of opioids for the treatment of acute pain.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

APRIL 12, 2016

Ms. SLAUGHTER (for herself and Mr. KATKO) 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. OPIOID PRESCRIPTION GUIDELINES.**

4 Not later than two years after the date of enactment
5 of this Act, the Secretary of Health and Human Services,
6 acting through the Director of the Centers for Disease
7 Control and Prevention, in consultation with stakeholders
8 as the Secretary determines appropriate, shall issue guid-

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