H. R. 3692

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IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

SEPTEMBER 7, 2017

Mr. TONKO (for himself and Mr. BEN RAY LUJÁN of New Mexico) introduced the following bill; which was 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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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 “Addiction Treatment

5 Access Improvement Act of 2017”.


SEC. 2. ALLOWING FOR MORE FLEXIBILITY WITH RESPECT TO MEDICATION-ASSISTED TREATMENT FOR OPIOID USE DISORDERS.

(a) Conforming Applicable Number.—Subclause (II) of section 303(g)(2)(B)(iii) of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 823(g)(2)(B)(iii)) is amended to read as follows:

“(II) The applicable number is—

“(aa) 100 if, not sooner than 1 year after the date on which the practitioner submitted the initial notification, the practitioner submits a second notification to the Secretary of the need and intent of the practitioner to treat up to 100 patients; or

“(bb) 275 if the practitioner meets the requirements specified in section 8.610 of title 42, Code of Federal Regulations (or successor regulations).”.

(b) Eliminating Any Time Limitation for Nurse Practitioners, Clinical Nurse Specialists, Certified Registered Nurse Anesthetists, Certified Nurse Midwives, and Physician Assistants To Become Qualifying Practitioners.—Section 303(g)(2)(G)(iii)(II) of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 823(g)(2)(G)(iii)(II)) is amended by striking “during the period beginning on the date of enactment of the
Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act of 2016 and ending on October 1, 2021” and inserting “beginning on the date of enactment of the Comprehensive Addiction and Recovery Act of 2016”.

(c) Definition of Qualifying Other Practitioner.—Clause (iv) of section 303(g)(2)(G) of the Controlled Substances Act (21 U.S.C. 823(g)(2)(G)) is amended by striking “nurse practitioner or physician assistant” each place it appears and inserting “nurse practitioner, clinical nurse specialist, certified registered nurse anesthetist, certified nurse midwife, or physician assistant”.

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