

115TH CONGRESS  
2D SESSION

# H. R. 5685

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide educational resources regarding opioid use and pain management as part of the Medicare & You handbook.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 7, 2018

Mr. FASO (for himself, Mr. RENACCI, and Mr. WELCH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, 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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## 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 “Medicare Opioid Safety  
5 Education Act of 2018”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROVISION OF INFORMATION REGARDING OPIOID**  
2 **USE AND PAIN MANAGEMENT AS PART OF**  
3 **MEDICARE & YOU HANDBOOK.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 1804 of the Social Secu-  
5 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 1395b–2) is amended by adding at  
6 the end the following new subsection:

7 “(d) The notice provided under subsection (a) shall  
8 include—

9 “(1) educational resources, compiled by the Sec-  
10 retary, regarding opioid use and pain management;  
11 and

12 “(2) a description of alternative, non-opioid  
13 pain management treatments covered under this  
14 title.”.

15 (b) EFFECTIVE DATE.—The amendment made by  
16 subsection (a) shall apply to notices distributed prior to  
17 each Medicare open enrollment period beginning after  
18 January 1, 2019.

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