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H. R. 5685

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JUNE 13, 2018

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Finance

AN ACT

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.

1 *Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-*
2 *tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,*

1 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

2 This Act may be cited as the “Medicare Opioid Safety
3 Education Act of 2018”.

4 **SEC. 2. PROVISION OF INFORMATION REGARDING OPIOID**
5 **USE AND PAIN MANAGEMENT AS PART OF**
6 **MEDICARE & YOU HANDBOOK.**

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

10 “(d) The notice provided under subsection (a) shall
11 include—

12 “(1) educational resources, compiled by the Sec-
13 retary, regarding opioid use and pain management;
14 and

15 “(2) a description of alternative, non-opioid
16 pain management treatments covered under this
17 title.”.

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

Passed the House of Representatives June 12, 2018.

Attest:

KAREN L. HAAS,

Clerk.