

116TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 3153

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

JULY 24, 2019

Received; read twice and referred to the Committee on Commerce, Science,
and Transportation

AN ACT

To direct the Director of the National Science Foundation
to support research on opioid addiction, and for other
purposes.

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; FINDINGS.**

2 (a) **SHORT TITLE.**—This Act may be cited as the
3 “Expanding Findings for Federal Opioid Research and
4 Treatment Act” or the “EFFORT Act”.

5 (b) **FINDINGS.**—The Congress finds that—

6 (1) research gaps currently exist in the preven-
7 tion and treatment of opioid addiction;

8 (2) the National Science Foundation’s research
9 on opioid addiction has increased understanding of
10 the neuroscience of addiction, substance abuse inter-
11 vention, the role of illicit supply networks, the sec-
12 ondary effects on families, the use of technology to
13 address the opioid epidemic, and options for alter-
14 native, non-addictive therapeutics for pain; and

15 (3) the National Science Foundation and the
16 National Institutes of Health have recognized that
17 fundamental questions in basic, clinical, and
18 translational research would benefit greatly from
19 multidisciplinary approaches and collaboration.

20 **SEC. 2. NSF SUPPORT OF RESEARCH ON OPIOID ADDIC-**
21 **TION.**

22 The Director of the National Science Foundation, in
23 consultation with the Director of the National Institutes

1 of Health, shall support merit-reviewed and competitively
2 awarded research on the science of opioid addiction.

Passed the House of Representatives July 23, 2019.

Attest: CHERYL L. JOHNSON,
Clerk.