

115<sup>TH</sup> CONGRESS  
2<sup>D</sup> SESSION

# H. R. 5685

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## 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:

*Clerk.*



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