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# S. 2976

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## IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

SEPTEMBER 28 (legislative day, SEPTEMBER 22), 2023

Mr. BOOKER introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions

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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 “Preventing Overdoses  
5 with Test Strips Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. AMENDING THE 21ST CENTURY CURES ACT TO AU-**  
2 **THORIZE THE USE OF FUNDS FOR DEVICES**  
3 **FOR USE IN THE DETECTION OF FENTANYL,**  
4 **XYLAZINE, AND OTHER EMERGING**  
5 **ADULTERANT SUBSTANCES.**

6 Section 1003 of the 21st Century Cures Act (42  
7 U.S.C. 290ee–3a) is amended—

8 (1) in subsection (b)(4), by adding at the end  
9 the following:

10 “(G) Providing assistance for expenses re-  
11 lating to the acquisition or use of adulterant  
12 substance detection devices.”; and

13 (2) in subsection (h)—

14 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (1)  
15 through (4) as paragraphs (2) through (5), re-  
16 spectively; and

17 (B) by inserting before paragraph (2) (as  
18 so redesignated), the following:

19 “(1) ADULTERANT SUBSTANCE DETECTION DE-  
20 VICE.—The term ‘adulterant substance detection de-  
21 vice’ means a device, including a test strip, that can  
22 detect the presence of an adulterant, such as  
23 fentanyl, xylazine, or another adulterant in a drug  
24 sample prior to use of a controlled substance.”.

1 **SEC. 3. AMENDING THE PUBLIC HEALTH SERVICE ACT TO**  
2 **AUTHORIZE THE USE OF FUNDS FOR DE-**  
3 **VICES FOR USE IN THE DETECTION OF**  
4 **FENTANYL, XYLAZINE, AND OTHER EMERG-**  
5 **ING ADULTERANT SUBSTANCES.**

6 Part A of title V of the Public Health Service Act  
7 (42 U.S.C. 290aa et seq.) is amended by adding at the  
8 end the following:

9 **“SEC. 506B. USE OF FUNDS FOR DEVICES FOR USE IN THE**  
10 **DETECTION OF FENTANYL, XYLAZINE, AND**  
11 **OTHER EMERGING ADULTERANT SUB-**  
12 **STANCES.**

13 “(a) **IN GENERAL.**—Expenses relating to the acquisi-  
14 tion or use of adulterant substance detection devices shall  
15 be allowable expenses under any grant, contract, or coop-  
16 erative agreement entered into by the Substance Abuse  
17 and Mental Health Services Administration under this  
18 Act.

19 “(b) **DEFINITION.**—In this section, the term  
20 ‘adulterant substance detection device’ has the meaning  
21 given such term in section 1003(h)(1) of the 21st Century  
22 Cures Act.”.

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