AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
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[Amendment to the PCORI-reauth_01 draft, as posted on the website of the Committee on Ways and Means]

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.

This Act may be cited as the “Protecting Access To Information for Effective & Necessary Treatment and Services Act” or the “PATIENTS Act”.

SEC. 2. EXTENDING APPROPRIATIONS AND TRANSFERS TO THE PATIENT-CENTERED OUTCOMES RESEARCH TRUST FUND; EXTENSION OF CERTAIN HEALTH INSURANCE FEES.

(a) IN GENERAL.—

(1) INTERNAL REVENUE CODE.—Section 9511 of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended—

(A) in subsection (b)(1)(E), by striking “2014” and all that follows through “2019” and inserting “2014 through 2026”;

(B) in subsection (d)(2)(A), by striking “2019” and inserting “2026”; and
(C) in subsection (f), by striking “2019” and inserting “2026”.

(2) Title XI of the Social Security Act.—

Section 1183(a)(2) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1320e–2(a)(2)) is amended by striking “2014” and all that follows through “2019” and inserting “2014 through 2026”.

(b) Extension of Certain Health Insurance Fees.—

(1) Health insurance policies.—Section 4375(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “2019” and inserting “2026”.

(2) Self-insured health plans.—Section 4376(e) of the Internal Revenue Code of 1986 is amended by striking “2019” and inserting “2026”.

(e) PCORI Research Priorities.—Section 1181(d)(1)(A) of the Social Security Act (42 U.S.C. 1320e(d)(1)(A)) is amended by adding at the end the following new sentence: “Such national priorities shall include research with respect to substance use (including opioid use disorders), mental health, and maternal morbidity and mortality.”.