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115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

H. R. _____

To authorize a joint action plan and report on drug waste.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. DOGGETT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the
Committee on _____

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 “Reducing Drug Waste
5 Act of 2018”.

6 **SEC. 2. JOINT ACTION PLAN AND REPORT ON DRUG WASTE.**

7 (a) JOINT ACTION PLAN.—The Secretary of Health
8 and Human Services, shall develop a joint action plan, in
9 consultation with stakeholders such as health care pro-

1 viders and patient advocates (including relevant Federal
2 advisory committees), that—

3 (1) utilizes data from Medicare claims on how
4 much of a single-use drug was not administered,
5 comparing single-use vial sizes in other settings such
6 as to other countries' health care systems, and
7 through analysis during the drug approval process of
8 alternative vial size safety and efficacy, to reduce
9 drug waste and better manage costs;

10 (2) includes quantifiable metrics and specific
11 timelines to adopt different vial sizes in addition to
12 those currently approved and marketed in the
13 United States in order to significantly reduce the
14 amount of drug discards, or waste, from single-use
15 vials; and

16 (3) includes options for how to better manage
17 costs, including new technologies related to capture
18 and storage, while ensuring patient access.

19 (b) REPORT.—Not later than 1 year after the date
20 of enactment of this Act, the Secretary of Health and
21 Human Services shall submit to Congress the joint action
22 plan described in subsection (a) and a report containing
23 options for any legislative action needed to reduce drug
24 waste and better manage costs.