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To direct the Attorney General and the Secretary of Health and Human Services to evaluate the effectiveness of grant programs that provide grants for the primary purpose of providing assistance in addressing problems pertaining to opioid abuse, and for other purposes.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

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

A BILL

To direct the Attorney General and the Secretary of Health and Human Services to evaluate the effectiveness of grant programs that provide grants for the primary purpose of providing assistance in addressing problems pertaining to opioid abuse, 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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Opioid Program Eval-
5 uation Act” or the “OPEN Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. EVALUATION OF PERFORMANCE OF DEPARTMENT**
2 **OF JUSTICE PROGRAM.**

3 (a) **EVALUATION OF JUSTICE DEPARTMENT COM-**
4 **PREHENSIVE OPIOID ABUSE GRANT PROGRAM.**—Not
5 later than 5 years after the date of enactment of this Act,
6 the Attorney General shall complete an evaluation of the
7 effectiveness of the Comprehensive Opioid Abuse Grant
8 Program under part LL of the Omnibus Crime Control
9 and Safe Streets Act of 1968 administered by the Depart-
10 ment of Justice based upon the information reported
11 under subsection (c) of this section.

12 (b) **METRICS AND OUTCOMES FOR EVALUATION.**—
13 Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of
14 this Act, the Attorney General shall identify outcomes that
15 are to be achieved by activities funded by the Comprehen-
16 sive Opioid Grant Abuse Program and the metrics by
17 which the achievement of such outcomes shall be deter-
18 mined.

19 (c) **METRICS DATA COLLECTION.**—The Attorney
20 General shall require grantees under the Comprehensive
21 Opioid Abuse Grant Program (and those receiving sub-
22 awards under section 3021(b) of part LL of the Omnibus
23 Crime Control and Safe Streets Act of 1968) to collect
24 and annually report to the Department of Justice data
25 based upon the metrics identified under subsection (b).

1 (d) PUBLICATION OF DATA AND FINDINGS.—The At-
2 torney General shall, not later than 30 days after comple-
3 tion of the requirement under subsection (b), publish the
4 outcomes and metrics identified under subsection (b). The
5 National Academy of Sciences shall, not later than 90
6 days after completion of the evaluation under subsection
7 (a), publish the results of such evaluation, and issue a re-
8 port on such evaluation to the Committee on the Judiciary
9 of the House of Representatives and the Committee on
10 the Judiciary of the Senate. Such report shall also be pub-
11 lished along with the data used to make such evaluations.

12 (e) ARRANGEMENT WITH THE NATIONAL ACADEMY
13 OF SCIENCES.—For purposes of subsections (a) and (b),
14 the Attorney General shall enter into an arrangement with
15 the National Academy of Sciences.

16 **SEC. 3. EVALUATION OF PERFORMANCE OF DEPARTMENT**
17 **OF HEALTH AND HUMAN SERVICES PRO-**
18 **GRAM.**

19 (a) EVALUATION OF DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND
20 HUMAN SERVICES GRANT PROGRAM.—Not later than 5
21 years after the date of enactment of this Act, the Sec-
22 retary of Health and Human Services shall complete an
23 evaluation of the effectiveness of any program adminis-
24 tered by the Secretary that provides grants for the pri-
25 mary purpose of providing assistance in addressing prob-

1 lems pertaining to opioid abuse based upon the informa-
2 tion reported under subsection (c) of this section.

3 (b) METRICS AND OUTCOMES FOR EVALUATION.—

4 Not later than 180 days after the date of enactment of
5 this Act, the Secretary shall identify outcomes that are
6 to be achieved by activities funded by the programs de-
7 scribed in subsection (a) and the metrics by which the
8 achievement of such outcomes shall be determined.

9 (c) METRICS DATA COLLECTION.—The Secretary
10 shall require grantees under the programs described in
11 subsection (a) to collect and annually report to the Sec-
12 retary data based upon the metrics identified under sub-
13 section (b).

14 (d) PUBLICATION OF DATA AND FINDINGS.—The
15 Secretary shall, not later than 30 days after completion
16 of the requirement under subsection (b), publish the out-
17 comes and metrics identified under subsection (b). The
18 National Academy of Sciences shall, not later than 90
19 days after completion of the evaluations under subsection
20 (a), publish the results of the evaluations, and issue a re-
21 port on such evaluations to the Committee on Energy and
22 Commerce of the House of Representatives and the Com-
23 mittee on Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions of the
24 Senate. Such report shall also be published along with the
25 data used to make such evaluations.

1 (e) ARRANGEMENT WITH THE NATIONAL ACADEMY
2 OF SCIENCES.—For purposes of subsections (a) and (b),
3 the Secretary shall enter into an arrangement with the
4 National Academy of Sciences.

5 **SEC. 4. DEFINITION.**

6 In this Act, the term “opioid” has the meaning given
7 the term “opiate” in section 102 of the Controlled Sub-
8 stances Act (21 U.S.C. 802).

9 **SEC. 5. NO ADDITIONAL FUNDS AUTHORIZED.**

10 No additional funds are authorized to be appro-
11 priated to carry out this Act.