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To amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize and expand a program of surveillance and education, carried out by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, regarding infections associated with injection drug use.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

March 20, 2018

Mr. LANCE (for himself, Mr. KENNEDY, Mr. COLLINS of New York, Ms. ESHOO, Mr. BARTON, and Ms. MATSUI) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

A BILL

- To amend the Public Health Service Act to reauthorize and expand a program of surveillance and education, carried out by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, regarding infections associated with injection drug use.
 - 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 "Eliminating Opioid Re-
- 5 lated Infectious Diseases Act of 2018".

1	SEC. 2. REAUTHORIZATION AND EXPANSION OF PROGRAM
2	OF SURVEILLANCE AND EDUCATION RE-
3	GARDING INFECTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH IL-
4	LICIT DRUG USE AND OTHER RISK FACTORS.
5	Section 317N of the Public Health Service Act (42)
6	U.S.C. 247b–15) is amended to read as follows:
7	"SEC. 317N. SURVEILLANCE AND EDUCATION REGARDING
8	INFECTIONS ASSOCIATED WITH ILLICIT
9	DRUG USE AND OTHER RISK FACTORS.
10	"(a) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary may (directly and
11	through grants to public and nonprofit private entities)
12	provide for programs for the following:
13	"(1) To cooperate with the States in imple-
14	menting or maintaining a surveillance system to de-
15	termine the incidence of infections commonly associ-
16	ated with illicit drug use, including infections com-
17	monly associated with injection drug use such as
18	viral hepatitis, human immunodeficiency virus, and
19	infective endocarditis, and to assist the States in de-
20	termining the prevalence of such infections, which
21	may include the reporting of cases of such infec-
22	tions.
23	"(2) To identify, counsel, and offer testing to

23 (2) To identify, counsel, and offer testing to
24 individuals who are at risk of infections as a result
25 of injection drug use, receiving blood transfusions
26 prior to July 1992, or other risk factors.

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"(3) To provide appropriate referrals for coun seling, testing, and medical treatment of individuals
 identified under paragraph (2) and to ensure, to the
 extent practicable, the provision of appropriate fol low-up services.

6 "(4) To develop and disseminate public infor7 mation and education programs for the detection
8 and control of infections described in paragraph (1),
9 with priority given to high-risk populations as deter10 mined by the Secretary.

11 "(5) To improve the education, training, and 12 skills of health professionals in the detection and 13 control of infections and the coordination of treat-14 ment of addiction and infectious diseases described 15 in paragraph (1), with priority given to substance 16 use disorder treatment providers, pediatricians and 17 other primary care providers, obstetrician-gyne-18 cologists, infectious diseases clinicians, and HIV cli-19 nicians.

"(b) LABORATORY PROCEDURES.—The Secretary
may (directly or through grants to public and nonprofit
private entities) carry out programs to provide for improvements in the quality of clinical-laboratory procedures
regarding infections described in subsection (a)(1).

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1	"(c) DEFINITIONS.—In this section, the term 'injec-
2	tion drug use' means—
3	((1) intravenous administration of a substance
4	in schedule I under section 202 of the Controlled
5	Substances Act;
6	((2) intravenous administration of a substance
7	in schedule II, III, IV, or V under section 202 of the
8	Controlled Substances Act that has not been ap-
9	proved for intravenous use under—
10	"(A) section 505 of the Federal Food,
11	Drug and Cosmetic Act; or
12	"(B) section 351 of the Public Health
13	Service Act; or
14	"(3) intravenous administration of a substance
15	in schedule II, III, IV, or V under section 202 of the
16	Controlled Substances Act that has not been pre-
17	scribed to the person using the substance.
18	"(d) Authorization of Appropriations.—For the
19	purpose of carrying out this section, there are authorized
20	to be appropriated \$40,000,000 for each of the fiscal years
21	2019 through 2023.".