



THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE

MEMORANDUM

December 6, 2013

To: Health Subcommittee Members

From: Majority Committee Staff

Re: Subcommittee Markup on H.R. 3527, Poison Center Network Act of 2013; H.R. 1098, Traumatic Brain Injury Reauthorization Act; and H.R. 1281, Newborn Screening Saves Lives Reauthorization Act of 2013.

On Tuesday, December 10, 2013, the Subcommittee on Health will hold a markup on H.R. 3527, Poison Center Network Act of 2013; H.R. 1098, Traumatic Brain Injury Reauthorization Act; and H.R. 1281, Newborn Screening Saves Lives Reauthorization Act of 2013. The Subcommittee will convene at 2:00 p.m. in 2322 Rayburn House Office Building.

In keeping with the Chairman Upton's announced policy, Members must submit any amendments they may have two hours before they are offered during this markup. Members may submit amendments by email to Peter.Kielty@mail.house.gov. Any information with respect to an amendment's parliamentary standing (e.g., its germaneness) should be submitted at this time as well.

I. H.R. 3527, Poison Center Network Act of 2013

The bill would reauthorize the Poison Center Support, Enhancement, and Awareness Act of 2008 and continue funding for the Poison Control Program. The bill would provide grants to States to establish and operate poison centers and maintain a single, national toll-free number that ensures access to poison center services by connecting callers to the poison center serving their area. In addition, the bill provides for a national media campaign to educate the public and health care providers about poison prevention, poison center services, and the 800 number.

II. H.R. 1098, Traumatic Brain Injury Reauthorization Act

The Traumatic Brain Injury (TBI) Reauthorization Act of 2013 would reauthorize the TBI Act of 2008 and continue brain injury research at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The bill also provides for State grants administered by Health Resources and Services Administration (HRSA) to help families access needed services such as rehabilitation and long-term care. In addition, HRSA provides grants to States for the protection and advocacy of TBI patients. Finally, the bill will allow grant programs to move from HRSA to another agency within HHS in order to better coordinate with Federal agencies that oversee long-term services and supports available to individuals with other disabilities.

III. H.R. 1281, Newborn Screening Saves Lives Reauthorization Act of 2013

The Newborn Screening Saves Lives Reauthorization Act of 2013 would reauthorize the Newborn Screening Saves Lives Act of 2008 to continue Federal activities that assist States in improving and expanding their newborn screening programs, supporting parent and provider newborn screening education, and ensuring laboratory quality and surveillance. In addition, NIH research on newborn screening will continue.

IV. Conclusion

Should you have any questions regarding the markup, please contact Brenda Destro or Katie Novaria at 202-225-2927.