



# THE COMMITTEE ON ENERGY AND COMMERCE

## MEMORANDUM

June 17, 2014

To: Health Subcommittee Members

From: Majority Committee Staff

Re: Health Subcommittee Markup on June 19

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The Subcommittee on Health will meet in open markup session on Thursday, June 19, 2014, at 4:00 p.m. in 2123 Rayburn House Office Building and reconvene at 9:00 a.m. on Friday, June 20, 2014, if necessary. A summary of the legislation to be considered is below.

In keeping with the 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](mailto: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. LEGISLATION**

#### **A. H.R. 4771, the Designer Anabolic Steroid Control Act**

The Designer Anabolic Steroid Control Act, was introduced by Subcommittee Chairman Pitts (R-PA) and Ranking Member Pallone (D-NJ). H.R. 4771 immediately would place 27 new designer anabolic steroids that have been marketed as dietary supplements within the definition of anabolic steroid in the Controlled Substances Act (CSA). Going forward, the bill also would change the criteria for scheduling additional anabolic steroids, making it easier for the Drug Enforcement Administration (DEA) to identify and list new drugs or substances. Further, to protect consumers, H.R. 4771 would permit DEA to temporarily place a drug or substance on the CSA list while it proceeded with a permanent order if it has a chemical structure that is substantially similar to other drugs or substances already listed and manufactured or marketed with the intent to promote muscle growth.

#### **B. H.R. 4250, the Sunscreen Innovation Act**

The Sunscreen Innovation Act was introduced by Rep. Whitfield (R-KY) and Rep. Dingell (D-MI). The FDA has not approved a new sunscreen ingredient in nearly two decades, despite the fact that several applications have been pending at the agency for years. This legislation would establish a new review process by which pending and new applications will be reviewed in a predictable and transparent manner and include meaningful input from experts and the public.

C. H.R. 4701, the Vector-Borne Disease Research Accountability and Transparency Act of 2014

The Vector-Borne Disease Research Accountability and Transparency Act of 2014, introduced by Rep. Gibson (R-NY), Rep. Courtney (D-CT), Rep. Peterson (D-MN), Rep. Smith (R-NJ), Rep. Wolf (R-VA), and Rep. Barletta (R-NJ), would aid in the fight against vector-borne diseases, which are diseases transmitted by mosquitoes, ticks, and fleas. These include Lyme Disease, Dengue Fever, West Nile, and Chikungunya Fever. Specifically, the bill would require the National Institutes of Health and the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to identify vector-borne diseases with high rates of incidence in the United States and to conduct an audit of the research. The bill also would require the convening of working groups to assist in the development of a scientific framework for studying these diseases.

D. H.R. 594, the Paul D. Wellstone Muscular Dystrophy Community Assistance, Research and Education Amendments of 2014

The Paul D. Wellstone Muscular Dystrophy Community Assistance, Research, and Education (MD Care) Amendments of 2014, introduced by Rep. Burgess (R-TX) and Rep. Engel (D-NY), would update currently authorized surveillance, research, and education activities to reflect the recent scientific developments in muscular dystrophy.

E. H.R. 669, the Sudden Unexpected Death and Data Enhancement and Awareness Act

The Sudden Unexpected Death and Data Enhancement and Awareness Act, introduced by Ranking Member Pallone (D-NJ) and Rep. King (R-NY), would help advance the understanding of sudden unexpected infant death by improving the surveillance and collection of critical data concerning the issue.

F. H.R. 4290, the Wakefield Act of 2014

The Wakefield Act of 2014, introduced by Rep. Matheson (D-UT) and Rep. King (R-NY), would reauthorize programs to support the improvement of emergency medical services for children.

## **II. CONCLUSION**

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