

115TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 437

To amend the Homeland Security Act of 2002 to codify authority under existing grant guidance authorizing use of Urban Area Security Initiative and State Homeland Security Grant Program funding for enhancing medical preparedness, medical surge capacity, and mass prophylaxis capabilities.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

JANUARY 11, 2017

Mr. BILIRAKIS (for himself and Mrs. BROOKS of Indiana) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Homeland Security

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 “Medical Preparedness
5 Allowable Use Act”.

1 **SEC. 2. USE OF CERTAIN HOMELAND SECURITY GRANT**
2 **FUNDS FOR ENHANCING MEDICAL PRE-**
3 **PAREDNESS, MEDICAL SURGE CAPACITY,**
4 **AND MASS PROPHYLAXIS CAPABILITIES.**

5 Section 2008 of the Homeland Security Act of 2002
6 (6 U.S.C. 609) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (a)—

8 (A) by redesignating paragraphs (10)
9 through (14) as paragraphs (11) through (15),
10 respectively; and

11 (B) by inserting after paragraph (9) the
12 following new paragraph (10):

13 “(10) enhancing medical preparedness, medical
14 surge capacity, and mass prophylaxis capabilities, in-
15 cluding the development and maintenance of an ini-
16 tial pharmaceutical stockpile, including medical kits,
17 and diagnostics sufficient to protect first responders,
18 their families, immediate victims, and vulnerable
19 populations from a chemical or biological event;”;
20 and

21 (2) in subsection (b)(3)(B), by striking “sub-
22 section (a)(10)” and inserting “subsection (a)(11)”.

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