

115TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 5685

To amend title XVIII of the Social Security Act to provide educational resources regarding opioid use and pain management as part of the Medicare & You handbook.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY 7, 2018

Mr. FASO (for himself, Mr. RENACCI, and Mr. WELCH) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Ways and Means, and in addition to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, for a period to be subsequently determined by the Speaker, in each case for consideration of such provisions as fall within the jurisdiction of the committee concerned

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## 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 “Medicare Opioid Safety  
5 Education Act of 2018”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROVISION OF INFORMATION REGARDING OPIOID**  
2 **USE AND PAIN MANAGEMENT AS PART OF**  
3 **MEDICARE & YOU HANDBOOK.**

4 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 1804 of the Social Secu-  
5 rity Act (42 U.S.C. 1395b–2) is amended by adding at  
6 the end the following new subsection:

7 “(d) The notice provided under subsection (a) shall  
8 include—

9 “(1) educational resources, compiled by the Sec-  
10 retary, regarding opioid use and pain management;  
11 and

12 “(2) a description of alternative, non-opioid  
13 pain management treatments covered under this  
14 title.”.

15 (b) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—The amendment made by  
16 subsection (a) shall apply to notices distributed prior to  
17 each Medicare open enrollment period beginning after  
18 January 1, 2019.

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