AMENDMENT IN THE NATURE OF A SUBSTITUTE
TO H.R. 5272
OFFERED BY MR. BURGESS OF TEXAS

Strike all after the enacting clause and insert the following:

SECTION 1. GUIDANCE FROM NATIONAL MENTAL HEALTH
AND SUBSTANCE USE POLICY LABORATORY.

Section 501A(b) of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 290aa–0(b)) is amended—

(1) in paragraph (5), by striking “and” at the end;

(2) in paragraph (6), by striking the period at the end and inserting “; and”;

(3) by adding at the end the following:

“(7) issue and periodically update guidance for entities applying for grants from the Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration in order to—

“(A) encourage the funding of evidence-based practices;

“(B) encourage the replication of promising or effective practices; and
“(C) inform applicants on how to best articulate the rationale for the funding of a program or activity.”.

Amend the title so as to read: “A bill to provide additional guidance to grantees seeking funding to treat or prevent mental health or substance use disorders.”.