

**AMENDMENT TO H.R. 5590**

**OFFERED BY M**     .

Page 2, lines 14 through 16, strike “Recommendations” and all that follows through “following:” and insert “Recommendations described in this subsection are, based on an examination by the Secretary of potential obstacles to an effective response to the opioid crisis, recommendations, as determined appropriate by the Secretary, on the following:”.

Page 2, lines 20 through 21, strike “reimbursement” and insert “payment”.

Page 3, line 7, strike “reimbursement” and insert “payment”.

Page 3, lines 7 through 8, strike “to encourage development and adoption of such therapies”.

Page 3, line 9, strike the period and insert “and if necessary to encourage development and adoption of such therapies.”.

Page 3, line 21, strike “can” and insert “could”.

Page 3, lines 22 through 23, strike “reimbursement” and insert “payment”.

Page 3, lines 23 through 24, strike “Medicare program and the Medicaid program” and insert “Medicare and Medicaid programs”.

Strike section 2(b)(4) and redesignate succeeding paragraphs accordingly.

Add at the end of section 2(b) the following new paragraph:

1           (5) Recommendations on changes to the Medi-  
2           care program and the Medicaid program to address  
3           coverage or payment barriers to patient access to  
4           medical devices that are non-opioid based treatments  
5           approved by the Food and Drug Administration for  
6           the management of acute pain and chronic pain, for  
7           monitoring substance use withdrawal and preventing  
8           overdoses of controlled substances, and for treating  
9           substance use disorder.

Strike section 2(e) and insert the following:

10          (e) REPORT TO CONGRESS.—Not later than June 1,  
11 2019, the Secretary shall submit to Congress, and make  
12 public, a report that includes—

13           (1) a summary of recommendations that have  
14           emerged under the action plan;

15           (2) the Secretary’s planned next steps with re-  
16           spect to the action plan; and

1           (3) an evaluation of price trends for drugs used  
2           to reverse opioid overdoses (such as naloxone), in-  
3           cluding recommendations on ways to lower such  
4           prices for consumers.

Strike section 3.

