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118TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

To provide for a study on the effects of remote monitoring on individuals who are prescribed opioids.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. BALDERSON introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on _____

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 “Remote Opioid Moni-
5 toring Act of 2023”.

1 **SEC. 2. PROVIDING FOR A STUDY ON THE EFFECTS OF RE-**
2 **MOTE MONITORING ON INDIVIDUALS WHO**
3 **ARE PRESCRIBED OPIOIDS.**

4 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 18 months after
5 the date of enactment of this Act, the Comptroller General
6 of the United States shall conduct a study and submit to
7 the Committee on Energy and Commerce of the House
8 of Representatives and the Committee on Health, Edu-
9 cation, Labor, and Pensions and the Committee on Fi-
10 nance of the Senate a report on the use of remote moni-
11 toring with respect to individuals who are prescribed
12 opioids.

13 (b) REPORT.—The report described in subsection (a)
14 shall include—

15 (1) an assessment of scientific evidence related
16 to the efficacy, individual outcomes, and potential
17 cost savings associated with remote monitoring for
18 individuals who are prescribed opioids compared to
19 such individuals who are not so monitored;

20 (2) an assessment of the current prevalence of
21 remote monitoring for individuals who are prescribed
22 opioids, including the use of such monitoring for
23 such individuals in other countries; and

24 (3) recommendations to improve availability, ac-
25 cess, and coverage for remote monitoring for individ-
26 uals who are prescribed opioids, including through

1 changes to Federal health care programs (as defined
2 in section 1128B of the Social Security Act (42
3 U.S.C. 1320a-7b)) and, if determined appropriate
4 by the Comptroller General, an identification of co-
5 horts of individuals who stand to benefit the most
6 from remote monitoring when prescribed opioids.