

115TH CONGRESS  
1ST SESSION

# H. R. 3991

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

OCTOBER 6, 2017

Ms. MICHELLE LUJAN GRISHAM of New Mexico introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce, and in addition to the Committee on the Judiciary, 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 “Expanded Access to  
5 Opioid Abuse Treatment Act of 2017”.

1 **SEC. 2. ELIGIBILITY OF CERTAIN PHARMACISTS FOR WAIV-**  
2 **ERS FOR DISPENSING NARCOTIC DRUGS FOR**  
3 **MAINTENANCE OR DETOXIFICATION TREAT-**  
4 **MENT.**

5 Section 303(g)(2)(G)(iv) of the Controlled Sub-  
6 stances Act (21 U.S.C. 823(g)(2)(G)(iv)) is amended—

7 (1) by striking “nurse practitioner or physician  
8 assistant” each place it appears and inserting  
9 “nurse practitioner, physician assistant, or phar-  
10 macist”; and

11 (2) in subclause (II)(aa), by inserting “the  
12 American Pharmacists Association,” before “or any  
13 other organization”.

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