

115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

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including overdoses.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

Mr. CASSIDY (for himself and Mr. MURPHY) introduced the following bill;
which was read twice and 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 “Saving Lives Through
5 Proper Notification of Overdoses Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. COMMUNICATION WITH FAMILIES DURING EMER-**
7 **GENCIES.**

8 (a) PROMOTING AWARENESS OF AUTHORIZED DIS-
9 CLOSURES DURING EMERGENCIES.—The Secretary of
10 Health and Human Services shall annually notify health

1 care providers regarding permitted disclosures during
2 emergencies, including overdoses, of certain health infor-
3 mation to families and caregivers under Federal health
4 care privacy laws and regulations.

5 (b) USE OF MATERIAL.—For the purposes of car-
6 rying out subsection (a), the Secretary of Health and
7 Human Services may use material produced under section
8 11004 of the 21st Century Cures Act (42 U.S.C. 1320d-
9 2 note).