

'Right to try' bill clears Assembly, heads to gov's desk

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A bill that would make experimental drugs available to eligible patients passed the Assembly on a voice vote.

The so-called "right to try" bill has been passed in more than 35 states. President Trump in his State of the Union speech last month also called on Congress to pass a federal version of the bill.

The bill previously cleared the Assembly last March. But a Senate panel earlier this month approved a substitute amendment that would make eligibility requirements for experimental drugs more stringent than under the original bill — an effort to align it more with the current draft of the federal version.

The Senate then approved the bill via voice vote on Tuesday.

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