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Washington, D.C.—Congressman Jim Sensenbrenner (WI-05) offered the following statement after the House passed thirty-five bipartisan bills to combat the opioid crisis:
Rep. Sensenbrenner: “We are taking action to restore hope to communities and families all across our nation devastated by the opioid epidemic. These bills provide real help for the millions of Americans who are struggling with addiction by providing additional treatment, increasing efforts that prevent people from becoming addicted, and ramping up enforcement to stop the flow of drugs into our neighborhoods.”

The House passed the following bills this week:

- 1) [H.R. 449](#) - Synthetic Drug Awareness Act of 2018, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Hakeem Jeffries / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 2) [H.R. 3331](#) - To amend title XI of the Social Security Act to promote testing of incentive payments for behavioral health providers for adoption and use of certified electronic health record technology, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Lynn Jenkins / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 3) [H.R. 4284](#) - Indexing Narcotics, Fentanyl, and Opioids (INFO) Act, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Bob Latta / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 4) [H.R. 4684](#) - Ensuring Access to Quality Sober Living Act of 2018, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Judy Chu / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 5) [H.R. 5002](#) - Advancing Cutting Edge (ACE) Research Act (Sponsored by Rep. Debbie Dingell / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 6) [H.R. 5009](#) - Jessie's Law, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Tim Walberg / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 7) [H.R. 5041](#) - Safe Disposal of Unused Medication Act, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Tim Walberg / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 8) [H.R. 5102](#) - Substance Use Disorder Workforce Loan Repayment Act of 2018 (Sponsored by Rep. Katherine Clark / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 9) [H.R. 5176](#) - Preventing Overdoses While in Emergency Rooms Act, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. David McKinley / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 10) [H.R. 5228](#) - Stop Counterfeit Drugs by Regulating and Enhancing Enforcement Now (SCREEN Act), as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Frank Pallone / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 11) [H.R. 5261](#) - Treatment, Education, and Community Help (TEACH) to Combat Addiction Act of 2018, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Bill Johnson / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 12) [H.R. 5272](#) - To ensure that programs and activities that are funded by a grant, cooperative agreement, loan, or loan guarantee from the Department of Health and Human Services, and whose purpose is to prevent or treat a mental health or substance use disorder, are evidence-based, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Steve Stivers / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 13) [H.R. 5327](#) - Comprehensive Opioid Recovery Centers Act of 2018, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Brett Guthrie / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 14) [H.R. 5329](#) - Poison Center Network Enhancement Act of 2018, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Susan Brooks / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 15) [H.R. 5353](#) - Eliminating Opioid Related Infectious Diseases Act of 2018, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Leonard Lance / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 16) [H.R. 5473](#) - Better Pain Management Through Better Data Act of 2018, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Barbara Comstock / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 17) [H.R. 5483](#) - Special Registration for Telemedicine Clarification Act of 2018, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Buddy Carter / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 18) [H.R. 5582](#) - Abuse Deterrent Access Act of 2018, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Buddy Carter / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 19) [H.R. 5583](#) - To amend title XI of the Social Security Act to require States to annually report on certain adult health quality measures, and for other purposes (Sponsored by Rep. Yvette Clarke / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 20) [H.R. 5587](#) - Peer Support Communities of Recovery Act, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Ben Ray Lujan / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 21) [H.R. 5685](#) - Medicare Opioid Safety Education Act of 2018 (Sponsored by Rep. John Faso / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 22) [H.R. 5800](#) - Medicaid IMD ADDITIONAL INFO Act (Sponsored by Rep. Fred Upton / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 23) [H.R. 5812](#) - Creating Opportunities that Necessitate New and Enhanced Connections That Improve Opioid Navigation Strategies (CONNECTIONS) Act (Sponsored by Rep. Morgan Griffith / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 24) [S. 916](#) - Ensuring Patient Access to Substance Use Disorder Treatments Act of 2018 (Sponsored by Sen. Bill Cassidy / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 25) [H.R. 4275](#) - Empowering Pharmacists in the Fight Against Opioid Abuse Act, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Mark DeSaulnier / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 26) [H.R. 5197](#) - Alternatives to Opioids (ALTO Act), as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Bill Pascrell / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 27) [H.R. 5294](#) - Treating Barriers to Prosperity Act of 2018 (Sponsored by Rep. Louis Barletta / Transportation and Infrastructure Committee)
- 28) [H.R. 5752](#) - Stop Illicit Drug Importation Act of 2018, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Marsha Blackburn / Energy and Commerce Committee)
- 29) [H.R. 6029](#) - Reauthorizing and Extending Grants for Recovery from Opioid Use Programs (REGROUP) Act of 2018 (Sponsored by Rep. Keith Rothfus / Judiciary Committee)
- 30) [H.R. 5889](#) - Recognizing Early Childhood Trauma Related to Substance Abuse Act of 2018 (Sponsored by Rep. Dave Brat / Education and the Workforce Committee)
- 31) [H.R. 5890](#) - Assisting States' Implementation of Plans of Safe Care Act (Sponsored by Rep. Tom Garrett / Education and the Workforce Committee)
- 32) [H.R. 5891](#) - Improving the Federal Response to Families Impacted by Substance Use Disorder Act (Sponsored by Rep. Glenn Grothman / Education and the Workforce Committee)
- 33) [H.R. 5892](#) - To establish an Advisory Committee on Opioids and the Workplace to advise the Secretary of Labor on actions the Department of Labor can take to address the impact of opioid abuse on the workplace (Sponsored by Rep. Jason Lewis / Education and the Workforce Committee)
- 34) House Amendment to [S. 1091](#) - Supporting Grandparents Raising Grandchildren Act (Sponsored by Sen. Susan Collins / Education and the Workforce Committee)
- 35) [H.R. 2147](#) - Veterans Treatment Court Improvement Act of 2018, as amended (Sponsored by Rep. Mike Coffman / Veterans Affairs Committee)