

105TH CONGRESS  
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# H. R. 738

To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act and the Public Health Service Act with respect to myelogram-related arachnoiditis.

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## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 12, 1997

Mr. TRAFICANT introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Commerce

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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 “Myelogram-Related  
5       Arachnoiditis Amendments of 1997”.

6       **SEC. 2. ADULTERATED MYELOGRAMS.**

7       Section 501 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic  
8       Act (21 U.S.C. 351) is amended by adding at the end the  
9       following:

1 “(j) If it is a myelogram involving the use of  
2 Pantopaque, Amipaque, Omipacque, or Isovue.”.

3 **SEC. 3. MYELOGRAM-RELATED ARACHNOIDITIS; ACTIVITIES OF NATIONAL INSTITUTE OF NEUROLOGICAL DISORDERS AND STROKE.**

6 Subpart 10 of part C of title IV of the Public Health  
7 Service Act (42 U.S.C. 285j et seq.) is amended by adding  
8 at the end the following section:

9 “MYELOGRAM-RELATED ARACHNOIDITIS  
10 “SEC. 460A. With respect to individuals who have  
11 undergone the diagnostic procedure known as a  
12 myelogram and who have subsequently developed cases of  
13 arachnoiditis, the Director of the Institute shall—

14 “(1) conduct or support a study to develop an  
15 estimate of the number of such individuals in the  
16 United States;

17 “(2) conduct or support research to determine  
18 the extent to which such cases are associated with  
19 the use of such procedure; and

20 “(3) conduct or support research on treatments  
21 for such cases in such individuals, including treat-  
22 ments to manage pain.”.

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