

108TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

S. 2976

To amend the Controlled Substances Act to lift the patient limitation on prescribing drug addiction treatments by medical practitioners in group practices, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

OCTOBER 11, 2004

Mr. HATCH (for himself, Mr. LEVIN, Mr. BIDEN, and Mr. KENNEDY) introduced the following bill; which was read twice, considered, read the third time, and passed

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,*

1 **SECTION 1. MAINTENANCE OR DETOXIFICATION TREAT-**
2 **MENT WITH CERTAIN NARCOTIC DRUGS;**
3 **ELIMINATION OF 30-PATIENT LIMIT FOR**
4 **GROUP PRACTICES.**

5 (a) **IN GENERAL.**—Section 303(g)(2)(B) of the Con-
6 trolled Substance Act (21 U.S.C. 823(g)(2)(B)) is amend-
7 ed by striking clause (iv).

8 (b) **CONFORMING AMENDMENT.**—Section
9 303(g)(2)(B) of the Controlled Substance Act (21 U.S.C.
10 823(g)(2)(B)) is amended in clause (iii) by striking “In
11 any case” and all that follows through “the total” and
12 inserting “The total”.

13 (c) **EFFECTIVE DATE.**—This section shall take effect
14 on the date of enactment of this Act.

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