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Amendment #1

AMENDMENT NO. _____ Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To allow sponsors of certain new drug applications to rely upon investigations conducted in certain foreign countries.

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To prepare for, and respond to, existing viruses, emerging new threats, and pandemics.

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. BRAUN (for himself and Mr. PAUL)

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1 At the appropriate place in subtitle A of title V, insert
2 the following:

3 **SEC. 5 ____ . DRUGS APPROVED IN CERTAIN FOREIGN**
4 **COUNTRIES.**

5 (a) IN GENERAL.—Section 505 of the Federal Food,
6 Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 355) is amended—

7 (1) in subsection (b), by adding at the end the
8 following:

9 “(7) An application described in paragraph (2) may
10 rely upon investigations conducted in a country listed
11 under section 802(b)(1)(A) or designated under section

1 802(b)(1)(B), including premarket clinical and nonclinical
2 investigations and postmarket surveillance studies, if the
3 drug that is the subject of such application has been ap-
4 proved in such country.”; and

5 (2) in subsection (c)—

6 (A) in paragraph (1), by striking “Within”
7 and inserting “Except as provided in paragraph
8 (6), within”; and

9 (B) by adding at the end the following:

10 “(6)(A) In the case of an application that relies on
11 investigations conducted in a foreign country, as described
12 in subsection (b)(7), within 90 days after the filing of such
13 application under subsection (b), the Secretary shall ap-
14 prove the application if the Secretary determines evidence
15 that—

16 “(i) at the time of application, the drug is au-
17 thorized to be marketed in a country listed under
18 section 802(b)(1)(A) or designated under section
19 802(b)(1)(B);

20 “(ii) the drug is safe and clinically effective;

21 “(iii) the manufacturer is capable of manufac-
22 turing the drug safely and consistently, and can en-
23 sure the safety of the supply chain outside the
24 United States;

1 “(iv) all relevant United States patents or legal
2 periods of exclusivity are expired;

3 “(v) absent reciprocal marketing approval, the
4 drug is not approved for marketing in the United
5 States;

6 “(vi) the Secretary has not, because of any con-
7 cern relating to safety or effectiveness, rescinded or
8 withdrawn any such approval; and

9 “(vii) the Secretary finds that none of the
10 grounds for denying approval specified in subsection
11 (d) applies.

12 “(B) LIMITATIONS.—Approval of a drug under
13 this section may, as the Secretary determines appro-
14 priate, be subject to 1 or both of the following re-
15 quirements:

16 “(i) The sponsor conduct appropriate post-
17 approval studies to verify and describe the pre-
18 dicted effect of the drug on irreversible mor-
19 bidity or mortality or another clinical benefit of
20 the drug.

21 “(ii) The sponsor submit copies of all pro-
22 motional materials related to the drug during
23 the preapproval review period and, following ap-
24 proval and for such period thereafter as the
25 Secretary determines to be appropriate, at least

1 30 days prior to the dissemination of the mate-
2 rials.

3 “(C) **TIMELINE.**—If the Secretary does not ap-
4 prove the application or take such other action with-
5 in such 90-day period, the application shall be con-
6 sidered approved under this subsection.

7 “(D) **ADVISORY COMMITTEE.**—

8 “(i) **ESTABLISHMENT.**—For the purpose of
9 providing expert scientific advice and rec-
10 ommendations to the Secretary regarding the
11 approval of applications described in subsection
12 (b)(7), the Secretary shall establish a standing
13 Foreign Drug Review Advisory Committee.

14 “(ii) **MEMBERSHIP.**—The standing Foreign
15 Drug Review Advisory Committee established
16 under clause (i) shall consist of employees of
17 the Food and Drug Administration and individ-
18 uals appointed by the Secretary, reflecting a
19 balanced composition of sufficient scientific ex-
20 pertise. The Secretary shall appoint members
21 who have diverse interests, education, training,
22 experience, and expertise in biopharmacology,
23 statistics, chemistry, legal issues, ethics, and
24 other appropriate expertise pertaining to the
25 drugs under review, such as expertise in foreign

1 regulatory and manufacturing practices and
2 drug development, and other individuals, as the
3 Secretary determines appropriate.

4 “(iii) REVIEW OF APPLICATIONS.—Upon
5 the filing of an application described in sub-
6 section (b)(7)—

7 “(I) the Secretary shall immediately
8 refer the application to the Foreign Drug
9 Review Advisory Committee for review;
10 and

11 “(II) within 60 days after the receipt
12 by such advisory committee of such appli-
13 cation, the advisory committee shall pro-
14 vide the Secretary with recommendations
15 with respect to such application.

16 “(E) PUBLICATION OF FINAL DECISION.—The
17 Secretary shall make publically available, on the
18 website of the Food and Drug Administration, each
19 final decision on whether to approve an application
20 described in subsection (b)(7), including the ration-
21 ale for the decision and the recommendations and
22 conclusions of the Foreign Drug Review Advisory
23 Committee under subparagraph (D)(iii).”.

24 (b) TECHNICAL AMENDMENT.—Section
25 802(b)(1)(A)(i) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic

1 Act (21 U.S.C. 382(b)(1)(A)(i)) is amended by striking
2 "or South Africa" and inserting "South Africa, or the
3 United Kingdom".