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AMENDMENT NO. 1 Calendar No. _____

Purpose: To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to cellular therapies.

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(title) _____

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AMENDMENT intended to be proposed by Mr. Kim (for himself and Mrs. Collins)

Viz:

1 At the appropriate place, insert the following:

2 **TITLE _____ —REGROW ACT**

3 **SECTION ___ 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This title may be cited as the “Reliable and Effective
5 Growth for Regenerative Health Options that Improve
6 Wellness” or the “REGROW Act”.

7 **SEC. ___ 2. CELLULAR AND TISSUE THERAPEUTICS.**

8 (a) CURRENT PATHWAYS.—Nothing in this title, or
9 the amendments made by this title, shall be applied or
10 interpreted as restricting or otherwise modifying any path-
11 way to market which is (as of the day immediately before
12 the date enactment of this title) provided under regula-

1 tions promulgated by the Food and Drug Administration,
2 including pathways under sections 351 and 361 of the
3 Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C. 262 and 264).

4 (b) APPROVAL FOR THERAPIES.—Subpart 1 of part
5 F of title III of the Public Health Service Act (42 U.S.C.
6 262 et seq.) is amended by inserting after section 351A
7 the following:

8 **“SEC. 351B. APPROVAL FOR CELLULAR AND TISSUE THERA-**
9 **PEUTICS.**

10 “(a) PROGRAM ESTABLISHED.—Not later than 2
11 years after the date of enactment of this section, the Sec-
12 retary shall establish a program to conditionally approve
13 a cellular or tissue therapeutic product if the sponsor of
14 such product demonstrates preliminary clinical evidence of
15 safety, and a reasonable expectation of effectiveness, as
16 determined by the Secretary, as part of the sponsor’s
17 phase I and phase II clinical trials.

18 “(b) CONDITIONAL APPROVAL OF CELLULAR OR TIS-
19 SUE THERAPEUTIC.—

20 “(1) IN GENERAL.—A conditionally approved
21 cellular or tissue therapeutic product under sub-
22 section (a) shall, for a conditional use period de-
23 scribed in paragraph (3), be manufactured, intro-
24 duced into interstate commerce, and used consistent
25 with the regulations in effect at the time of such

1 use, including good manufacturing practices, without
2 the approval of an application under section 351(a),
3 if each of the elements described in subsection (c)
4 applies.

5 “(2) FULL APPLICATION FOR APPROVAL.—The
6 sponsor of the conditionally approved product shall,
7 not later than 5 years after the date of the condi-
8 tional approval, prepare and submit an application
9 for full approval of such product under section
10 351(a), demonstrating potency, purity, safety, and
11 efficacy.

12 “(3) CONDITIONAL USE PERIOD.—Subject to
13 subsection (f), the Secretary shall permit the manu-
14 facture, introduction into interstate commerce, and
15 use of such conditionally approved product for a con-
16 ditional use period of 5 years, except that if the Sec-
17 retary completes a review of the application for full
18 approval of such product under section 351(a) and
19 makes a determination not to approve the applica-
20 tion, the conditional use period for the product shall
21 terminate at that time.

22 “(c) REQUIREMENTS FOR A CONDITIONALLY AP-
23 PROVED PRODUCT.—A cellular or tissue therapeutic prod-
24 uct shall only receive conditional approval under this sec-
25 tion if each of the following apply:

1 “(1) Such cells or tissues are adult human cells
2 or tissues.

3 “(2) Such cells or tissues have been evaluated
4 to examine immunogenicity and do not provoke a
5 significant unintended immune response in the re-
6 cipient.

7 “(3) Such cells or tissues are—

8 “(A) minimally manipulated for a non-ho-
9 mologous use; or

10 “(B) more-than-minimally manipulated for
11 a homologous or non-homologous use, but are
12 not genetically modified.

13 “(4) Such cells or tissues are produced for a
14 specific indication.

15 “(5) Such cells or tissues help achieve or re-
16 store function and have the potential to provide a
17 benefit over the existing standard of care.

18 “(6) Data regarding safety and effectiveness
19 shall be collected as required by the post-conditional
20 approval commitments determined by the Secretary
21 at the time of conditional approval.

22 “(7) During the conditional approval period,
23 and before approval of an application under section
24 351(a), the sponsor shall prepare and submit to the
25 Secretary—

1 “(A) annual reports on the progress of
2 achieving the post-conditional approval commit-
3 ments; and

4 “(B) adverse event reports containing all
5 the information required for approved biological
6 products.

7 “(8) The sponsor has submitted an application
8 under section 505(i) of the Federal Food, Drug, and
9 Cosmetic Act for the treatment of patients during
10 the 5-year conditional use period.

11 “(9) The sponsor has not previously received
12 conditional approval for such product for the same
13 indication.

14 “(d) INFORMED USE.—The individual administering
15 a product approved under subsection (b) shall inform each
16 individual who uses such product in a written informed
17 consent form signed by the individual user that—

18 “(1) the product has been conditionally ap-
19 proved based on studies in a limited population,
20 without proof of efficacy;

21 “(2) the Secretary is requiring additional stud-
22 ies of the product; and

23 “(3) the Secretary may withdraw conditional
24 approval of the product at any time.

1 “(e) STEM CELL BANKING.—To be eligible to provide
2 cells for the uses described under subsection (b), public
3 and private cord blood banks, tissue banks, and bone mar-
4 row repositories shall be in full compliance with good tis-
5 sue practice requirements under part 1271 of title 21,
6 Code of Federal Regulations, (or successor regulations),
7 as applicable.

8 “(f) WITHDRAWAL OF CONDITIONAL APPROVAL.—
9 The Secretary shall, after due notice and opportunity for
10 an informal hearing to the sponsor, issue an order with-
11 drawing conditional approval of a cellular or tissue thera-
12 peutic product under this section if the Secretary finds,
13 on the basis of new information before the Secretary with
14 respect to such product, evaluated together with the evi-
15 dence available to the Secretary at the time such product
16 was conditionally approved, that there is not a reasonable
17 expectation that such product will have the effect it pur-
18 ports or is represented to have under the conditions of
19 use prescribed, recommended, or suggested in the labeling
20 thereof.”.

1 **SEC. ____3. DEVICES USED IN RECOVERY, PROCESSING,**
2 **AND DELIVERY OF CELLULAR AND TISSUE**
3 **THERAPEUTICS.**

4 (a) CLEARANCE.—Section 510(k) of the Federal
5 Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 360(k)) is
6 amended—

7 (1) in paragraph (1), by striking “, and” and
8 inserting “;”;

9 (2) in paragraph (2), by striking the period and
10 inserting “; and”; and

11 (3) by inserting after paragraph (2) the fol-
12 lowing:

13 “(3) in the case of a cellular or tissue thera-
14 peutic product described in section 351B(a) of the
15 Public Health Service Act, the general function of
16 the device used for the recovery, isolation, proc-
17 essing, or delivery of such product.”.

18 (b) CLEARANCE OR APPROVAL OF CELLULAR
19 THERAPIES.—Chapter V of the Federal Food, Drug, and
20 Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 351 et seq.) is amended by in-
21 serting after section 515A the following:

22 **“SEC. 515B. CLASSIFICATION OF CELLULAR AND TISSUE**
23 **THERAPEUTICS.**

24 “Clearance or approval of a device for harvesting, de-
25 livery, or processing of cellular or tissue therapeutics de-
26 scribed in section 351B(a) of the Public Health Service

1 Act shall be based on in vitro performance testing and not
2 in vivo human clinical trials, as appropriate. The Secretary
3 shall classify devices in accordance with section 513, fo-
4 cusing on the general use of such devices for harvesting,
5 delivery, or processing cells and sustaining the viability
6 and functions of the cells in vivo. The classification regula-
7 tion shall not require that such devices be cleared under
8 section 510(k) or approved under section 515 for use with
9 only specific types of cells or for specific uses unless
10 unique to the intended use of the device. If the Secretary
11 determines that no predicate exists, or that a device classi-
12 fied as class III is sufficiently low risk to justify a lower
13 classification, the Secretary shall apply the procedure out-
14 lined in section 513(f)(2) to permit the review and mar-
15 keting of the device.”.

16 (c) COMBINATION PRODUCTS.—Section 503(g)(1) of
17 the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C.
18 353(g)(1)) is amended—

19 (1) in subparagraph (B), by striking “or”;

20 (2) in subparagraph (C), by striking the period
21 and inserting “, or”; and

22 (3) by adding at the end the following:

23 “(D) cellular components, the agency center
24 charged with premarket review of biological products
25 shall have primary jurisdiction.”.

1 **SEC. ____ 4. GUIDANCE; AMENDED REGULATIONS.**

2 (a) **GUIDANCE.**—Within 1 year of the date of enact-
3 ment of this title, the Secretary of Health and Human
4 Services (referred to in this section as the “Secretary”)
5 shall issue draft guidance on clarifying the requirements
6 with respect to cellular or tissue therapeutic products, as
7 set forth in section 351B of the Public Health Service Act,
8 as added by section ____ 2, and devices used in harvesting,
9 processing, or delivery of cellular or tissue therapeutic
10 products described in section 351B(a), as set forth in sec-
11 tion 510(k)(3) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic
12 Act (21 U.S.C. 360(k)(3)) and section 515B of such Act,
13 as added by section ____ 3(b). The Secretary shall issue
14 final guidance not later than 180 days after the close of
15 the comment period (including any extensions of such pe-
16 riod) for the draft guidance. Such comment period may
17 not exceed 60 days.

18 (b) **AMENDED REGULATIONS.**—

19 (1) **IN GENERAL.**—If the Secretary determines
20 that it is appropriate to amend the regulations
21 under title 21, Code of Federal Regulations, in order
22 to clarify the requirements of section 351B of the
23 Public Health Service Act, as added by section
24 ____ 2, the Secretary shall amend such regulations
25 not later than 1 year after the date of enactment of
26 this title.

1 (2) PROCEDURE.—In amending regulations
2 under paragraph (1), the Secretary shall—

3 (A) issue a notice of proposed rulemaking
4 that includes the proposed regulations;

5 (B) provide a period of not more than 60
6 days for comments on the proposed regulations;
7 and

8 (C) publish the final regulations not less
9 than 30 days before the effective date of such
10 regulations.

11 (c) PUBLIC MEETING.—In carrying out this title, in-
12 cluding the amendment made by section ____2 and the
13 amendments made by section ____3, the Secretary, not
14 later than 90 days after the date of enactment of this title,
15 shall have not less than 1 public meeting on the relevant
16 regulatory policies relating to cellular and tissue thera-
17 peutic products described in section 351B(a) of the Public
18 Health Service Act, as added by section ____2, including
19 any changes to such policies necessary to encourage inno-
20 vation and regulatory certainty with regard to the develop-
21 ment of such products.