Protecting Americans from All-Hazards Preparedness Act — Section-by-Section

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Sec. 1. Short Title; Table of Contents. This Act may be cited as the "Protecting Americans from All-Hazards Preparedness Act."

Title I—State and Local Readiness and Response

Sec. 101. Temporary Reassignment of State and Local Personnel During a Public Health Emergency. This section updates existing authority to allow State and Tribal Health Officials to request temporary assistance for emergency responses through calendar year (CY) 2028.

Sec. 102. Public Health Emergency Preparedness Program. This section reauthorizes and makes improvements to the Public Health Emergency Preparedness cooperative agreement through CY 2028.

Sec. 103. Hospital Preparedness Program. This section reauthorizes the Hospital Preparedness Program cooperative agreement through CY 2028, and improves the coordination of day-to-day and surge regional medical operations within and among health care coalitions.

Sec. 104. Facilities and Capacities of the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention to Combat Public Health Security Threats. This section reauthorizes authorizations of appropriations for facilities, detection, and situational awareness capabilities through CY 2028.

Sec. 105. Pilot Program to Support State Medical Stockpiles. This section reauthorizes and makes improvements to the state medical stockpile pilot program administered by the Office of the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response (ASPR) through FY 2028.

Sec. 106. Enhancing Domestic Wastewater Surveillance for Pathogen Detection. This section codifies activities to detect the circulation of infectious diseases through wastewater testing through CY 2028, and directs the Secretary of HHS to continue to support research to improve these activities in the future.

Sec. 107. Reauthorization of Mosquito Abatement for Safety and Health Program. This section reauthorizes the Mosquito Abatement for Safety and Health program through CY 2028, and directs the Secretary of HHS to consider the use of innovative and novel technology for mosquito control.

Title II—Federal Planning and Coordination

Sec. 201. All-Hazards Emergency Preparedness and Response. This section codifies the Assistant Secretary for Preparedness and Response's role in leading the development of requirements for countermeasures and amends existing language to clarify that planning for medical product and supply needs during a response includes raw materials and critical components. This section makes changes to current law related to the Public Health Emergency Medical Countermeasures Enterprise (PHEMCE) Multi-Year Budget and Strategy and Implementation Plan.

Sec. 202. National Health Security Strategy. This section updates the National Health Security Strategy to improve preparedness related to medical readiness, settings that pose an increased risk for the transmission of infectious diseases during a public health emergency, natural disasters, and cybersecurity.

Sec. 203. Improving Development and Distribution of Diagnostic Tests. This section requires the Secretary of HHS to develop a strategic plan to support domestic capacity and capabilities related to diagnostic testing to improve future responses.

Sec. 204. Combating Antimicrobial Resistance. This section updates current law to account for the current activities of the Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria Task Force and the President's Advisory Council on Combating Antibiotic-Resistant Bacteria and codifies the related National Action Plan.

Sec. 205. Strategic National Stockpile and Material Threats. This section updates the Annual Threat-Based Review for the Strategic National Stockpile (SNS) and amends procedures for administering the Stockpile to ensure that the Secretary is utilizing best practices and processes, including deployment and distribution tools, as well as appropriate communication regarding contract changes. Additionally, this section reauthorizes the SNS through FY 2028 and Project BioShield through FY 2036.

Sec. 206. Medical Countermeasures for Viral Threats with Pandemic Potential. This section encourages the Biomedical Advanced Research and Development Authority (BARDA) to prepare for "Disease X" by supporting innovative medical countermeasures to address priority virus families with significant pandemic potential, and ensures appropriate communication and notification regarding contract changes. Additionally, this section reauthorizes BARDA through FY 2028.

Sec. 207. Public Health Emergency Medical Countermeasures Enterprise. This section requires that the Secretary share information with stakeholders related to recommendations made and strategies developed by the Public Health Emergency Medical Countermeasures Enterprise (PHEMCE) and strengthens consultation between PHEMCE and public health officials.

Sec. 208. Fellowship and Training Programs. This section allows the Secretary of HHS to convert individuals who complete an epidemiology, surveillance, or laboratory fellowship or training program to a career-conditional appointment following completion of their fellowships.

Sec. 209. Regional Biocontainment Research Laboratories. This section codifies the Regional Biocontainment Laboratories to support preparedness and provide surge capacity for responding to biological agents, through CY 2028.

Sec. 210. Limitation Related to Countries of Concern Conducting Certain Research. This section updates language from the PREVENT Pandemics Act (Public Law 117-328, Division FF, Title II) to extend the moratorium through CY 2028 related to funding research involving certain pathogens in countries of concern.

Title III—Addressing the Needs of All Individuals

Sec. 301. Supporting At-Risk Individuals During Emergency Responses. This section directs the Secretary of HHS to provide technical assistance to assist localities with planning for the needs of older adults, individuals with disabilities, pregnant women, and children during a public health emergency. This section also requires the Secretary to issue guidance to States and localities related to the development of crisis standards of care for use during a public health emergency or major disaster.

Sec. 302. National Advisory Committees. This section extends three National Advisory Committees that provide advice to the federal government on preparedness and response planning related to children, seniors, and individuals with disabilities, and makes changes to the composition of the Committees.

Sec. 303. National Academies Study on Prizes. This section directs the National Academies to study alternative models and strategies to promote drug development in comparison to current practices in the United States.

Title IV—Additional Reauthorizations

Sec. 401. Medical Countermeasure Priority Review Voucher. This section reauthorizes through CY 2028.

Sec. 402. Epidemic Intelligence Service. This section reauthorizes through CY 2028.

Sec. 403. Monitoring and Distribution of Certain Medical Countermeasures. This section reauthorizes through CY 2028.

Sec. 404. Regional Health Care Emergency Preparedness and Response Systems. This section reauthorizes through CY 2028.

Sec. 405. Emergency System for Advance Registration of Volunteer Health Professionals. This section reauthorizes through CY 2028.

Sec. 406. Ensuring Collaboration and Coordination in Medical Countermeasure Development. This section reauthorizes through CY 2028.

Sec. 407. Military and Civilian Partnership for Trauma Readiness. This section reauthorizes through CY 2028.

Sec. 408. National Disaster Medical System. This section reauthorizes through CY 2028.

Sec. 409. Volunteer Medical Reserve Corps. This section reauthorizes through CY 2028.

Sec. 410. Epidemiology-Laboratory Capacity. This section reauthorizes through CY 2028.