

Union Calendar No. 11

112TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. 528

[Report No. 112-23]

To require the submission of a report to the Congress on parasitic disease
among poor Americans.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

FEBRUARY 8, 2011

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia (for himself, Mr. GINGREY of Georgia, and Mr.
GENE GREEN of Texas) introduced the following bill; which was referred
to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

MARCH 2, 2011

Committed to the Committee of the Whole House on the State of the Union
and ordered to be printed

A BILL

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parasitic disease among poor Americans.

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 “Neglected Infections
5 of Impoverished Americans Act of 2011”.

6 **SEC. 2. REPORT TO CONGRESS ON THE CURRENT STATE OF**
7 **PARASITIC DISEASES THAT HAVE BEEN**
8 **OVERLOOKED AMONG THE POOREST AMERI-**
9 **CANS.**

10 (a) IN GENERAL.—Not later than 12 months after
11 the date of the enactment of this Act, the Secretary of
12 Health and Human Services shall report to the Congress
13 on the epidemiology of, impact of, and appropriate funding
14 required to address neglected diseases of poverty, includ-
15 ing neglected parasitic diseases such as—

- 16 (1) Chagas disease;
- 17 (2) cysticercosis;
- 18 (3) toxocariasis;
- 19 (4) toxoplasmosis;
- 20 (5) trichomoniasis;
- 21 (6) the soil-transmitted helminths; and
- 22 (7) other related parasitic diseases, as des-
23 ignated by the Secretary.

1 (b) REQUIRED INFORMATION.—The report under
2 subsection (a) should provide the information necessary to
3 guide future health policy to—

4 (1) accurately evaluate the current state of
5 knowledge concerning diseases described in such
6 subsection and define gaps in such knowledge; and

7 (2) address the threat of such diseases.

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