

115TH CONGRESS
2D SESSION

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To provide for the establishment of a national registry to track cases of coccidioidomycosis, and for other purposes.

IN THE SENATE OF THE UNITED STATES

_____ introduced the following bill; which was read twice and referred to the Committee on _____

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,*

3 **SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.**

4 This Act may be cited as the “Combat Valley Fever
5 Act”.

6 **SEC. 2. TRACKING CASES OF COCCIDIOIDOMYCOSIS.**

7 (a) REGISTRY.—

8 (1) IN GENERAL.—The Secretary of Health and
9 Human Services (referred to in this section as the
10 “Secretary”), acting through the Centers for Disease

1 Control and Prevention and in consultation with the
2 Secretary of Agriculture, shall establish a registry
3 for reports of cases of coccidioidomycosis.

4 (2) GRANT PROGRAM.—The Secretary shall
5 award grants to States and State and local depart-
6 ments of health for the purpose of supporting the
7 surveillance of cases of coccidioidomycosis within the
8 applicable State, and the reporting of any such cases
9 to the registry established under paragraph (1).

10 (3) YEAR OF DIAGNOSIS.—In listing cases of
11 coccidioidomycosis in the registry established under
12 paragraph (1), the Secretary shall attribute each
13 case to the year in which it was diagnosed.

14 (b) PROTOCOLS AND GUIDELINES.—The Secretary,
15 in consultation with the Secretary of Agriculture, shall
16 make publicly available any protocols and guidelines devel-
17 oped by the Department of Agriculture, the National In-
18 stitutes of Health, the Centers for Disease Control and
19 Prevention, or appropriate professional health care organi-
20 zations, for purposes of educating health care providers,
21 farmers, and other agricultural workers regarding the
22 most recent scientific and medical information on the eti-
23 ology, transmission, diagnosis, surveillance, and treatment
24 of coccidioidomycosis.

1 (c) AUTHORIZATION OF APPROPRIATIONS.—There
2 are authorized to be appropriated such sums as may be
3 necessary to carry out this section.