

116TH CONGRESS 1ST SESSION H.R. 2669

To amend the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act with respect to liability under State and local requirements respecting devices.

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

May 10, 2019

Ms. Delauro (for herself, Ms. Schakowsky, and Mr. Fitzpatrick) introduced the following bill; which was referred to the Committee on Energy and Commerce

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 "Medical Device Safety
- 5 Act".

1	SEC. 2. LIABILITY UNDER STATE AND LOCAL REQUIRE-
2	MENTS RESPECTING DEVICES.
3	(a) Amendment.—Section 521 of the Federal Food,
4	Drug, and Cosmetic Act (21 U.S.C. 360k) is amended by
5	adding at the end the following:
6	"(c) No Effect on Liability Under State
7	Law.—Nothing in this section shall be construed to mod-
8	ify or otherwise affect any action for damages or the liabil-
9	ity of any person under the law of any State.".
10	(b) Effective Date; Applicability.—The amend-
11	ment made by subsection (a) shall—
12	(1) take effect as if included in the enactment
13	of the Medical Device Amendments of 1976 (Public
14	Law 94–295); and
15	(2) apply to any civil action pending or filed on
16	or after the date of enactment of this Act.

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