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House Resolution

A resolution supporting enactment of legislation to facilitate the rapid approval of new drugs, biological products, and medical devices.

WHEREAS, improving patient access to quality health care is a paramount national goal, and

WHEREAS, the key to improved health care, especially for persons with serious unmet medical needs, is the rapid approval of safe and effective new drugs, biological products, and medical devices, and

WHEREAS, minimizing the delay between discovery and eventual approval of a new drug, biological product, or medical device derived from research conducted by innovative pharmaceutical and biotechnology companies could improve the lives of millions of Americans, and

WHEREAS, current limitations on the dissemination of information about pharmaceutical products reduce the availability of information to physicians, other health care professionals, and patients, and unfairly limit the right of free speech guaranteed by the First Amendment to the United States Constitution, and

WHEREAS, the current rules and practices governing the review of new drugs, biological products, and medical devices by the United States Food and Drug Administration can delay approvals and are unnecessarily expensive, NOW, THEREFORE,

Be It Resolved by the House of Representatives of the State of Florida:

1           That the Florida House of Representatives supports the  
2 enactment of comprehensive federal legislation to facilitate  
3 the rapid review and approval of innovative new drugs,  
4 biological products, and medical devices, without compromising  
5 patient safety or product effectiveness.  
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