

.....
(Original Signature of Member)

114TH CONGRESS
1ST SESSION

H. R. _____

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

IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

Mr. JOHNSON of Georgia introduced the following bill; which was referred to
the Committee on _____

A BILL

To require the submission of a report to the Congress on
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 2015”.

1 **SEC. 2. REPORT TO CONGRESS ON THE CURRENT STATE OF**
2 **PARASITIC DISEASES THAT HAVE BEEN**
3 **OVERLOOKED AMONG THE POOREST AMERI-**
4 **CANS.**

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

- 11 (1) Chagas disease;
- 12 (2) cysticercosis;
- 13 (3) toxocariasis;
- 14 (4) toxoplasmosis;
- 15 (5) trichomoniasis;
- 16 (6) the soil-transmitted helminths; and
- 17 (7) other related parasitic diseases, as des-
18 ignated by the Secretary.

19 (b) REQUIRED INFORMATION.—The report under
20 subsection (a) should provide the information necessary to
21 guide future health policy to—

- 22 (1) accurately evaluate the current state of
23 knowledge concerning diseases described in such
24 subsection and define gaps in such knowledge; and
25 (2) address the threat of such diseases.